

WILSON APPEALS FOR PEACE CONFERENCE

PRESIDENT DESPATCHES NOTES TO ALL BELLIGERENT COUNTRIES

Chief Executive's Action Comes as Distinct Surprise to Official Washington—Diplomatists Believe Proposal Will Receive Respectful Consideration at Hands of All Belligerents—Recalls Roosevelt's Action in 1905.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—President Wilson has appealed to all the belligerents to discuss terms of peace.

Without actually proposing peace or offering mediation, the president has sent formal notes to the governments of all the warring nations suggesting that "an early occasion be sought to call out from the nations now at war such an avowal of their respective views as to the terms the war might be concluded and the arrangements which would be deemed satisfactory as a guaranty against its renewal or the kindling of any similar conflict in the future as would make it possible frankly to compare them."

Despatches Notes to Belligerents
Wholly without notice and entirely contrary to what administration officials have described as his course, the president last night despatched the notes to all the belligerents and to all the neutrals for their information. Summarized in the president's own words as contained in the notes, his attitude is as follows:

"The president is not proposing peace; he is merely offering mediation. He is merely proposing that soundings be taken in order that we may learn, the neutral nations with the belligerents, how near the haven of peace may be for which all mankind longs with an intense and increasing longing. He believes that the spirit in which he speaks and the objects which he seeks will be understood by all concerned and he confidently hopes for a response which will bring a new light into the affairs of the world."

Came as a Distinct Surprise
This latest development in the rapidly moving world events toward a discussion of peace was not permitted to become known until tonight when the notes were well on their way to the American ambassadors in the belligerent capitals and probably already in the hands of some of them.

It was a most distinct surprise to all official Washington which had been led to believe that with the formal transmittal of the proposals of the central powers the offices of the United States would await further moves between the belligerents themselves and that certainly in view of the speech of Premier Lloyd-George and the announcements in Russia, France and Italy, further action by neutrals would depend upon the next careful and delicate moves of the belligerents.

Prospects are Improved
The whole tenor of official opinion throughout Washington, when the president's action became known, was that it immeasurably improved the prospects for some sort of exchange looking toward an approach to peace discussions between the belligerents without impairing the position of the United States should they finally be unable to find a ground on which to approach one another.

At the white house no statement whatever could be obtained as to whether the powers even had intimated how they would receive the note, and there was every indication that the same neutrality, which prevented anything whatever becoming known about the president's action until it had been taken would surround any of the succeeding moves.

Nowhere on the surface appears any indication of the history-making events which diplomatists generally are convinced must have transpired since the German allies brought forth their proposals, to disbelieve the generally prevalent belief that such action on the part of President Wilson would be unacceptable to the entente powers.

No Preliminary Action?

British embassy officials declared they were utterly taken by surprise, were wholly unable to explain it and were emphatic in their statement that no exchanges whatever had passed through the embassy here as a preliminary.

The wish and hope of the German powers that President Wilson would intercede in some way has long been well known and has been conveyed in different ways to the white house. The attitude of the entente allies as expressed by their statesmen and certainly until recently in official advice to the American government has been that a peace conference by the United States would be considered almost the next thing to unfriendliness.

All that, however, was before the German allies of their own accord

brought forward their proposals for discussion of peace. President Wilson specifically says in the notes he is somewhat embarrassed in making the suggestion at this particular time, "because it may now seem to have been prompted by a desire to play a part in connection with the recent overtures of the central powers."

To the central powers the president says his action was in no way "suggested" by the Teutonic proposals while to the entente allies he says his note in "in no way associated with them." To both sets of belligerents he says he "would have delayed offering it until those overtures had been answered but for the fact that it also concerns the question of peace and may thus be considered in connection with other proposals which have the same end in view."

Diplomatists considered it incredible that the president would bring forward such a proposal at such a time unless he had reason to believe it would receive respectful consideration at the hands of all belligerents and above all would not prejudice the position of the United States as a possible mediator.

The German embassy view, consistently hopeful that proposals of the central allies would lead to a discussion of peace was expressed in the authorized statement by Count Von Bernstorff, the German ambassador.

"Now," said he, "I am perfectly convinced that there will be a conference."

Recalls Roosevelt's Action
The nearest parallel in world history for President Wilson's action was President Roosevelt's move in 1905 to end the war between Russia and Japan. But in that case the president had been assured his proposal would not be disagreeable to either of the belligerents and curiously enough it was thru Emperor William of Germany that the preliminary soundings crystallized into the suggestion that President Roosevelt take the steps.

Before that time President Roosevelt had conferred with Count Cassini, the Russian ambassador here and with Mr. Takahira, the Japanese minister. In the Russian capital the American ambassador George Von L. Meyer had conversations with Count Amundoff, the Russian minister for foreign affairs. In Tokyo American Minister Griscom had conversations with Count Komura, the Japanese minister for foreign affairs. The outcome of all these preliminaries was that President Roosevelt was assured he would not be humiliated by a rejection of his action.

Those in official circles who would discuss the notes thought it worthy of attention that President Wilson, after saying his action had long been in mind, added:

"The president can only beg that his suggestion be considered entirely on its own merits and as if it had been made in other circumstances."

The president looks forward in the notes to the part the neutrals shall take in assuring the future peace of the world. He expresses justification in "suggesting an immediate opportunity for a comparison of views as to the terms which must precede those ultimate arrangements for the peace of the world, which all desire, and in which the neutral nations as well as those at war are ready to play their full responsible part."

The objects which the belligerents have in mind, the president points out are virtually the same as stated in general terms to their people and to the world, but yet the concrete objects of the war "have never been definitively stated."

"Never yet," he says, "have the authoritative statesmen of either side avowed the precise objects which would, if attained, satisfy them and their people that the war had been fought out. The world has been left to conjecture what definitive results, what actual exchange of guarantees, what political or territorial changes or readjustments, what stage of military successes even would bring the war to an end."

"It may be," continues the note, "that peace is nearer than we know; that the terms which the belligerents on the one side and on the other would deem it necessary to insist upon are not so irreconcilable as some have feared. That an interchange of views would clear the way at least for conference and make the permanent concord of the nations a hope of the immediate future, a concert of nations immediately practicable."

There are indications that President Wilson began preparation of his note some time ago, probably even before the German proposals came

out and that the offer of the central powers and the succeeding developments made a more favorable opportunity for its presentation.

The fact that the president asks first only a clarification of terms is taken as indicating that he is not expecting an immediate conclusion.

Just when the note was finished has not been disclosed but it is known that it went to the cables yesterday. On Monday the higher officials of the state department were taken into the president's confidence and the text was sent to the public printer to make copies for the diplomatic corps. The fact that the note was completed not later than Monday and its dispatch Tuesday indicate it was sent regardless of anything Lloyd-George might say.

Real Test With Allies.
Officials expect the note to be received with general favor in Germany but many believe the real test will come with its arrival in the entente countries where many influential persons have feared and sought to prevent any American intervention until the military situation changed.

From the fact, however, that Lloyd-George's reply to the central powers was milder than generally had been expected and still left the way open for further negotiations it is believed that the allies will meet the present note in at least a friendly spirit.

So far as Germany is concerned the view held here is that she would be perfectly willing that a committee of three formed of a representative of the central powers, a representative of the entente and a representative of the United States should hold preliminary discussions. The main idea of Germany and her allies is to get each set of belligerents into direct personal communication with the other. The method is considered of secondary importance.

The view prevails in German quarters that all the belligerents will make some definite statement in reply to the United States. The very phraseology of the American communication calls for replies far more definite than mere acknowledgements of receipt.

MRS. IVA BARNES FINISHES TESTIFYING
Denies She Killed Her Husband—Declares He Was Accidentally Shot.

Chicago, Dec. 20.—Mrs. Iva Barnes, charged with the murder of her husband, James Barnes, finished testifying today after she had told of meeting Ray Shellhammer, a bartender, who was later surprised by Barnes when he returned home unexpectedly.

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STATES ATTORNEYS TO MEET IN SPRINGFIELD
Annual Convention of Association Will Be Held Dec. 28th and 29th.

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 20.—Special.—The annual convention of the Illinois States Attorneys' association will be held in this city Dec. 28 and 29. The state's attorney or assistant from every county in Illinois will be present for a general discussion of amendments toward criminal law practice in Illinois, to be presented at the approaching 56th general assembly.

UPHAM QUESTIONED
Chicago, Dec. 20.—Fred W. Upham, former Republican national committeeman from Illinois and president of a large coal company here was questioned today in the federal inquiry into a shortage of coal and coal cars. Hinton G. Clabaugh head of the bureau of investigators for the government would not discuss what had been revealed by Mr. Upham.

HENDERSON MARTIN THE SPEAKER
Manhattan, Kans., Dec. 20.—A large class of young men and women received diplomas today at the graduation exercises at Kansas State Agricultural college. The address to the graduates was delivered by Henderson Martin, vice governor of the Philippines.

President Wilson's Note to The Warring Nations of The World

The notes to the belligerents are prefaced with this instruction by Secretary Lansing to the American ambassadors presenting them:

"The president directs me to send you the following communication to be presented immediately to the minister of foreign affairs of the government to which you are accredited."

The text of the notes themselves then begin identically as follows:

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One Point of Variation
At the notes to the central powers this paragraph follows next:

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In the notes to the entente allies the following paragraph takes the place of the one just quoted:

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Notes to All Are Identical
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The note to the entente group will be delivered to Great Britain, France, Italy, Japan, Russia, Belgium, Montenegro, Portugal, Roumania and Serbia. That to the central allies will be delivered to Germany, Austria-Hungary, Turkey and Bulgaria.

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"The leaders of the several belligerents have, as has been said, stated those objects in general terms. But, stated in general terms, they seem the same on both sides. Never yet have the authoritative spokesmen of either side avowed the precise objects which would, if attained, satisfy them and their people that the war had been fought out. The world has been left to conjecture what definitive results, what actual exchange of guarantees, what political or territorial changes or readjustments, what stage of military success even, would bring the war to an end."

"It may be that peace is nearer than we know; that the terms which the belligerents on the one side and on the other would deem it necessary to insist upon are not so irreconcilable as some have feared; that an interchange of views would clear the way at least for conference and make the permanent concord of the nations a hope of the immediate future, a concert of nations immediately practicable."

Sounding Should Be Taken.
"The president is not proposing peace; he is merely offering mediation. He is merely proposing that soundings be taken in order that we may learn, the neutral nations with the belligerents, how near the haven of peace may be for which all mankind longs with an intense and increasing longing. He believes that the spirit in which he speaks and the objects which he seeks will be understood by all concerned and he confidently hopes for a response which will bring a new light into the affairs of the world."

The note to the entente group will be delivered to Great Britain, France, Italy, Japan, Russia, Belgium, Montenegro, Portugal, Roumania and Serbia. That to the central allies will be delivered to Germany, Austria-Hungary, Turkey and Bulgaria.

It is being delivered to all neutral governments for their information.

ments for the peace of the world, which all desire and in which the neutral nations as well as those at war are ready to play their full responsible part. If the contest must continue to proceed towards undetermined ends by slow attrition until the one group of belligerents or the other is exhausted, if million after million of human lives must continue to be offered up until on the one side or the other there are no more to offer, if resentments must be kindled that can never cool and despair engendered from which there can be no recovery, hopes of peace and of the willing consent of free peoples, will be rendered vain and idle."

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The Omaha Bee calls attention to
the fact that expert calculators as-
sert there is enough gold in the
country to give each person, big and
little, \$17.50, and asks who is ob-
structing the distribution.

The intense heat and drouth of
last July cut the average corn crop
in Illinois to 27 bushels to the acre.
But the average price of 85c will
give to the farmers of the state the
net little sum of \$204,113,293.
With such figures it is very hard to
get sympathy for the farmer be-
cause of his high priced land and
short crop production.

The Western Union Telegraph
company has such need for opera-
tors that bonuses have been offered
to about 1,000 operators in small
cities and towns if they will enlist
and train operators. There is a
growing difficulty in securing a
sufficient number of operators, par-
tially because of the increasing use
of the telegraph. The company has
devised this means in an effort to
foster the training of young opera-
tors.

Thousands of articles have been
written of the high cost of living,
there have been some discussions on
the high cost of dyng, and now
the high cost of schooling is occu-
pying attention. Universities, col-
leges and private schools are being
compelled to increase their rates of
tuition. Supplies, books, paper,
and material used in industrial
training are only a few of the
things which have come up in price
in such a way as to affect education-
al institutions.

In the past Democrats have
charged all these high cost troubles
up to a protective tariff, but after
their changes were made prices con-
tinue to climb. It is a conspicuous
fact that the administration is doing
little or nothing in an effective
way to grapple with this question of
high living cost which is now the
most serious one confronting the U. S.

Motor Cars Relegate Hand Cars.

Announcement that an eastern
road has abolished the use of hand
cars and has placed an order for 150
motor driven cars is but an indica-
tion of the changes that time brings.
The old fashioned hand car which
has been in use by the railroads for
many decades past cannot be propell-
ed rapidly and the work involved is a
hardship on the men. The motor
driven cars will make it possible for
the section men to arrive at the place
of their work more quickly and with-
out consuming their strength in run-
ning the car. The purchase of 150
motor driven cars means a large ex-
penditure of money but in the end
will no doubt result in economy, sav-
ing the time and strength of labor-
ers for their regular track duties.

Certainly this is a motor age and
each week finds some new develop-
ment. There are those who confident-
ly believe that in the average city in
ten years' time horse drawn vehicles
will be an oddity. One feature in
which the public is greatly interest-
ed and which has not been given
much consideration outside the cities
is the lesser damage to pavements
resulting from the use of rubber tire
trucks than from steel shoe horses.
In the final accounting the use of
motor driven vehicles on the streets
will show as an economy measure
just in the mere matter of saving
the pavements which the public has
paid for, to say nothing of the
prompter and more efficient service
which comes from motor driven ve-
hicles by comparison with those that
are horse drawn.

For Men Will Drink.

The largest papers in the country
are continuing to devote space to the
discussion of the wet and dry ques-
tion and to point out the strong
possibility that national prohibition
now is well within the range of pos-
sibilities in a comparatively few
years. Some of these papers are tak-
ing the wise position of pointing out
that if prohibition is successful that
some substitute for the saloon must
be found. The saloon, with its con-
viviality, offering as it does in some
communities a sort of poor man's
club, has its place. To merely stop
the sale of liquor will not get the
desired results. The average man
has a social side to his nature which
must be cared for in some way.

So real students of the question
and reformers who look far enough
ahead must devote some thought to
the saloon substitute, and the places
for meeting provided must also in-
clude arrangement for some sort of a
temperance drink. The National
Coffee association of the country has
caught the idea and believes that the
banishing of liquor would tend to
largely increase the consumption of
coffee, and they are advocating the
establishment of "coffee houses."

Their belief that coffee consumption
will grow is founded on statistics
from certain dry states and counties.
In South America they have a
drink somewhat like coffee, said to
be just as stimulating and without
the bad effects which come to some
people from excessive coffee drink-
ing. Perhaps some enterprising
American will introduce this drink,
but it can be put down as a certainty
that some man or group of men will
see the business possibilities in the
situation, to say nothing of the social
betterment idea, and the "coffee
houses" or similar public gathering
places will later be established to fill
the gaps in the social order made by
the absence of saloons.

The Beginning of Better Things.

To grant authority to the gas com-
pany to lay a main on one block of
street would be under ordinary cir-
cumstances a somewhat common-
place happening. But the granting
of permission by the Jacksonville
city council to the Jacksonville Rail-
way & Light Company to lay such a
main on Anna street between
Prairie and Diamond street yester-
day was significant. The transaction
was the first record evidence that the
long existed differences between the
company and the city are at an end.
The formal settlement of the Jack-
sonville rate case has not been made,
but as all parties have signed the
agreement and joined in the request
to the utilities commission to ap-
prove the settlement, there is no
question but that the approval will
follow in due course of time.

The city will not receive the bene-

Rippling Rhymes
By WALT MASON

NOTHING TO SPARE

The hungry children cry for
bread, and I would gladly see them
fed; my bosom bleeds for little ones
who have no doughnuts, pies or
buns, and I would help them out.
I even, but need my coin for gaso-
line. In vander but a human drove
is gathered round an empty stove;
the father lingers has and disses
an influenza in his knees—the moth-
er's washed for folks in town until
her health has broken down. Grim
famine in that shack abides, and all
the wretched inmates ride, I'd
gladly help them in their plight, and
bring them food and warmth and
light, and make their empty kettle
boil, but need all my coin for gas
and oil. As I go jaunting near and
far, in my upholstered touring car,
I see around me signs of want—and
they disturb my little jaunt. I'd
like to aid the ones who starve
and give them ducks and hens to
carve. With loaded arms I'd like
to go wherever there is want or woe,
and spread some warmth and sunshine
there. I'd like to do it, but, alas,
I need my coin for oil and gas.

THIS DATE IN HISTORY

December 21, 1861—LaSalle and his
party left Fort Miami, (near St.
Joseph, Michigan) on their expe-
dition to find the mouth of the
Mississippi.

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fit of as low rates as many citizens
had expected by this agreement, but
it is a fortunate thing in view of all
the circumstances that a compromise
stipulation has been agreed upon.
To have continued with strife and li-
tigation for months and possibly years
to come would have been a distinct
detriment to both the company and
the city. Now that an agreement has
been reached the needed improve-
ments can be made by both the city
and the company. These improve-
ments on the company's part will
make for better service and the bet-
terments proposed by the city will
mean a period of progress. There-
fore everybody should be happy over
the settlement which has practically
eventuated after a long and some-
what stormy time.

Seeking Common Ground

The Progressive Republican
league has been organized for the
definite purpose of cementing the
party factions—of bringing the Pro-
gressive and old line Republicans to
a common ground of understand-
ing and confidence. The movement
comes at a good time in that Repub-
licans still have keenly in mind the
results of the recent election and
"what might have been" if they had
only talked out their differences
months ago.

Gifford Pinchot, Chester Rowell,
James R. Garfield, William Allen
White, Raymond Robins, Harold L.
Ickes are among the Progressives
prominent in the movement. They
are strong, liberal, broadminded
men and under their fostering di-
rection the new organization should
find a sphere of usefulness and ac-
complish its purpose in all the
states.

AN APPEAL FOR PEACE

President Wilson's note to all the
European countries will be read by
every American with profound inter-
est. That same interest will attach
to the note in every country where it
is read, for the president is dealing
with a suggestion that affects all the
civilized world—that affects human-
ity.

In his opening paragraph the pres-
ident frees himself of the possible
charge of seeking to have part in a
peace movement already under way.
He states, after reading the note,
"The note in every country where it
is read, for the president is dealing
with a suggestion that affects all the
civilized world—that affects human-
ity."

The president is not suggesting
mediation at this time but in tacit-
ly rounded phrases is demanding
in the name of humanity, in the
name of neutrals—that the belliger-
ents let the world know definitely
the object for which they are fight-
ing.

When the war began there was no
definite and clear cut statement
which the world at large could un-
derstand as to the real causes lead-
ing up to the conflict. That was two
years more ago and now Presi-
dent Wilson adds this significant
statement to his appeal, "and yet the
concrete objects for which this war
is being waged have never been
definitely stated."

Coming at this time, after so
many months of terrible conflict,
following the German peace proposal,
and coming especially at Christmas
time—the world's greatest anniver-
sary—the appeal may not fall on
deaf ears. The president has sought
to make it easier for the belliger-
ents, now groping about for some
pathway to honorable peace. Should
events prove that he has done so,
the world will owe him gratitude.

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**FRENCH BATTLESHIP SUNK
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BERLIN, Dec. 20.—via London—
A German submarine torpedoed and
sank the French Battleship Suffren,
according to an official statement
given out tonight. The statement
reads:

"One of our submarines sank on
Nov. 26 by a torpedo an enemy ship
of the line northwest of Lisbon. It
was the French Battleship Suffren,
reported lost with the entire crew
by the French admiralty on Dec. 8."

A Paris despatch under date of
Dec. 8, reported that the Battleship
Suffren, which left port on November
24th had not been heard from since
that time and that the ministry of
marine considered the vessel lost
with all on board.

The Suffren sailed from Lorient.
She had on board a staff of 18 of-
ficers and 700 men. Her displace-
ment was 12,750 tons.

AT THE LIBRARY

Eighty children were present for
the story hour in the audience room
of the library Wednesday after-
noon. A Christmas tree, beautifully
decorated, was on display, and stories
were told by Mrs. C. E. Cole, who
had selected three, "The Golden Cob-
webs", "When Santa Claus Came,"
and "Jethren's Wooden Shoes."

FRANK BYRNS Hat Store
offers particular advantages
for supplying the gifts suitable
for men.

Mrs. George Snyder of Franklin
has returned to her home after a
visit in Springfield, where she went
to see her brother, Frank J. Kaiser,
recovering from effect of an appen-
dicitis operation in a hospital there.

THE BIRTH RECORD

Born, Wednesday morning to Mr.
and Mrs. Bert Cole, at Passavant
hospital, a son.

Visit Schram's jewelry store.

EXPLOSION KILLS FIFTEEN
San Salvador, Dec. 20.—A volcan-
ic explosion near the small village of
Lower Vera Perz, Guatemala, has
caused the death of fifteen persons.

Mrs. J. W. Robertson of Alexander
was a visitor in the city yesterday.

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lation."—N. Y. Sun.

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Journal.

"An interesting and inspiring account."—N. Y. Herald.
"A human document of the utmost importance and interest."—
Chicago Evening Post.

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ever honored by the government of foreign powers as well as by her
own country as Clara Barton. 'She achieved greater fame as an ex-
ecutive nurse than any woman that preceded her.'"—Detroit News
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SOCIAL EVENTS

Woman's U. C. T. Club
Met With Mrs. Conlee

The regular meeting of the Wo-
man's club of the United Commercial
Travelers was held at the residence
of Mrs. A. D. Conlee 1635 South
Main street Wednesday afternoon.
After the business session an elabo-
rate luncheon was served. Mrs. Con-
lee was assisted in entertaining by
Mrs. A. J. Gebert. The next meet-
ing will be held with Mrs. A. F.
Franks who will be assisted by Mrs.
Charles K. Moore.

Mrs. Madden Entertains

Grace Church Society.

Mrs. Frederic B. Madden enter-
tained the Woman's Missionary so-
ciety of Grace M. E. church Tuesday
afternoon at her home on West
State street. Mrs. Madden was as-
sisted in entertaining by Mrs. Isaac
Moxon, Mrs. Amelia Newbold, Mrs.
Priest and Mrs. Moore. The topic
had to do with Japanese themes and
discussion was led by Miss Groves,
leader of the afternoon. A reading
was given by Mrs. Kennedy. A good
report was made from the thank
offering committee and a letter of
thanks was read from Rev. Mr. Arm-
strong of Culbertson, Montana, to
whose family the society recently
sent a missionary box. Refreshments
were served.

Junior Department

of Grace M. E. Church

A party for junior department
upheld of Grace M. E. Sunday school
was given at the church Wednesday
afternoon from 4 to 6 o'clock, with
mothers of the children, the Rev.
and Mrs. F. B. Madden and Mr. and
Mrs. Thomas V. Hopper, as guests.
A lecture on the Holy Land was
given by Miss Ruby Neville, of the
Illinois Woman's college faculty. After
the illustrated talk, the company
adjourned to the junior department
rooms below, where a Christmas tree
had been arranged with gifts for the
pupils. Ice cream cones, in addition
to Christmas dainties, were served.
The party was in charge of Mrs. E.
K. Towle, superintendent of the de-
partment.

A Christmas party will be given
at the church Saturday afternoon for
children of the beginners' and cradle
roll department. Mrs. J. I. Graham
will be in charge.

CIGAR MAKERS' ELECTION

At a recent meeting of the Jack-
sonville Cigarmakers' union the fol-
lowing officers for the ensuing year
were elected:

President—Jacob Rodersheimer.
Vice president—P. L. Stewart.
Financial and corresponding sec-
retary—M. Heffernan.
Recording secretary and custodian
of label—J. Mikesell.
Treasurer—Henry Rohlf.
Finance committee—William Tim-
merman, Herman Zeller and Walter
N. Smith.
Trustees—Jacob Herberg, T. J.
Riley and Herman Zeller.
Sergeant-at-Arms—Louis Steer.

SHOOT AT ALEXANDER

The Alexander Gun club held a
poultry shoot Wednesday at which
seventy-five turkeys, ducks and geese
were given as prizes. William
Woods proved to be the best shot,
although a number of good records were
made and some of the poultry was
won by most of those taking part.

J. C. Ewen of Alexander was a
visitor in the city Wednesday.

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CITY AND COUNTY

William Nichol of Woodson was a city visitor yesterday.

Mrs. Henry Votsmeier of Ashland was a city shopper yesterday.

Everett Alford of Franklin was a city caller yesterday.

George Naulty of Prentice made a business trip to the city yesterday.

R. H. Harris was up to the city from Pisgah yesterday.

Miss Stella Covington was a caller on city friends yesterday.

Frank E. Drury of Orleans paid the city a business call yesterday.

Mrs. Albert Dunlap was down to the city from Litchberry yesterday.

Daniel McGinnis of New Berlin paid city friends a visit yesterday.

Miss Anna Nergenah of Chapin was a city visitor yesterday.

The jewelry store of Charles Price will be open every evening this week.

Mrs. R. J. Ommen of Arenzville was a visitor in the city Wednesday.

Mrs. J. W. Poff was in the city Wednesday from Arenzville.

George Atkins of Bluffs made a business trip to the city yesterday.

Thomas Smith of Arnold was a caller on city people yesterday.

P. J. Crotty of Woodson was a visitor with city people yesterday.

Frank E. Short of Murrayville was a Jacksonville visitor yesterday.

George Murch of Arenzville was in the city yesterday.

Dr. George Bley of Beardstown was a visitor in the city yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Levi Atkins of Bluffs were visitors in the city yesterday.

James Dooson of Murrayville was a city caller yesterday.

Fine assortment of Xmas Trees at Weber's.

William Newman of Bluffs was a caller on city friends yesterday.

George Wood of Pisgah made a business trip to the city yesterday.

J. E. Alderson of Chapin was a city traveler yesterday.

Louis Roberts of Franklin was a city visitor yesterday.

Grover Grimsley of Alexander was among the city's visitors yesterday.

R. G. Patton of Springfield called on friends in the city yesterday.

Charles E. Schafer of Cairo is in the city on business for a few days.

L. N. Campbell is here from Virden looking after business matters.

J. L. Seago of Waverly spent Wednesday in the city on business.

MEN'S FULL DRESS Vests, Shirts, Gloves, Etc. Latest styles are shown by FRANK BYRNS Hat Store.

Mrs. E. D. Cully of rural route No. 4 was a city shopper yesterday.

J. E. Bridgeman of rural route No. 7 was a city visitor yesterday.

Mrs. W. W. Young of Litchberry was a caller in the city yesterday.

G. O. Allen of Alton visited yesterday with city friends.

W. L. Bart of Sinclair was attending to business in the city yesterday.

Mrs. A. H. Hand of Robinson was a visitor in the city yesterday.

Fancy large Raisins at Weber's.

Mrs. Edward Garner of Beardstown was a city shopper yesterday.

Mrs. J. G. Howell was up to the city from Franklin yesterday.

Miss Frances Verry of Waverly was one of the city shoppers yesterday.

Herman Bannister of the southwest part of the county was a city caller yesterday.

Joseph Zellar of Alexander was transacting business in the city yesterday.

John Ludwig of New Berlin was a business caller in the city yesterday.

New 1916 Nuts of all kinds at Weber's Grocery.

Milton Morris of Orleans was added to the list of city callers yesterday.

Edward Phillips of Chambersburg was attending to affairs in the city yesterday.

Miss Evalon Gibson of the vicinity of Murrayville was a city shopper yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Gottschall of Franklin were shoppers with Jacksonville merchants yesterday.

Elmer Gaylord of Illinois College has gone to Granite City for the holidays.

Big assortment of Xmas candies at Weber's Grocery.

Dan L. Clark and wife were visitors in the city from New Berlin yesterday.

Mrs. W. C. Hart of the southeast part of the county was a city shopper yesterday.

Raymond Gottschall of the vicinity of Franklin was attending to business in the city yesterday.

Morgan Story of Manchester was attending to business matters in the city yesterday.

John Kershaw of Concord was added to the list of city callers yesterday.

Visit Schram's jewelry store.

Alexander Barnes of Manchester was transacting business in the city yesterday.

Mrs. Bertha Wright of Little Indian was attending to Xmas shopping in the city yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Corrington rode to the city yesterday from New Berlin in their automobile.

J. W. Lawson of the northeast part of the county was a caller on city friends yesterday.

George Lockhart came down to the city yesterday from Little Indian in his Ford car.

Xmas Hosiery in fancy boxes. H. J. & L. M. Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Alford and Ernest Alford were in the city yesterday from Franklin.

Mrs. Joseph Campbell of Waverly was a visitor in Jacksonville yesterday.

Frank Lockman of Buckhorn was attending to business in the city yesterday.

RUSSELL & THOMPSON'S Rings.

Mrs. W. D. Alford of the vicinity of Franklin was a shopper in the city yesterday.

C. J. Lukeman of Franklin was attracted to the city by business yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Story are enjoying a visit with their friends, Charles Mellen and family.

Ukeleles, a fine assortment just received at Brown's Music Store.

Charles Kitterman of the east part of the county was a caller on city business men yesterday.

Edwin Pink of Bluffs was attending to business in the city yesterday.

Mrs. J. W. Woods and Mrs. Harry Woods visited yesterday with friends in Springfield.

Miss Hattie Berry has returned from a visit of several days in Merritt and Winchester.

Ira P. Story of Murrayville was a business visitor in the city yesterday.

Miss Margaret Day, R. N., and Miss Elizabeth Whitler, R. N., were in Winchester yesterday on professional business.

Xmas Handkerchiefs from 25c to \$1.25 each. H. J. & L. M. Smith.

Miss Rhoda Grace Wheeler expects to go Friday to Strawn's Crossing to make a holiday visit at the home of her brother.

Louis Roberts of Franklin was attending to business in the city yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Finch of the south part of the county were added to the list of city callers yesterday.

RUSSELL & THOMPSON'S watches.

Alexander Story of the vicinity of Murrayville was added to the list of city visitors yesterday.

William Alexander of the vicinity of Bluffs was a caller on Jacksonville people yesterday.

Visit Schram's jewelry store.

John Whalen of Woodson was attending to business interests in the city yesterday.

Thomas Hamel of Merritt was a shopper with city merchants yesterday.

Samuel Martin of Ashland made a business trip to the city yesterday.

Clap Apple, an Illinois College senior, will enjoy the holidays in his home at Talmac.

Ukeleles, a fine assortment just received at Brown's Music Store.

Miss Stella Covington of the vicinity of Murrayville was a city caller yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Mills and daughter Irene were representatives of Pisgah in the city yesterday.

B. L. Tucker brought Wm. Wiswell up to the city from east of Murrayville in his Reo car.

Visit Schram's jewelry store.

B. L. Huddleston of New Berlin was added to the list of transient callers in the city yesterday.

E. O. Cully of Sinclair called on city friends yesterday.

Mrs. Mary Ausmus of Pisgah was a shopper with city merchants yesterday.

Visit Schram's jewelry store.

Mrs. Clark Taylor of Bluffs was a shopper with Jacksonville merchants yesterday.

Mrs. Clyde Taylor of Chapin was added to the list of city callers yesterday.

Mrs. R. C. Curtis and Mrs. Charles Woodall were city arrivals from Manchester yesterday.

Visit Schram's jewelry store.

G. C. Lippart representing the Shaw piano company was in the city yesterday.

A. M. Howe and William Wolf of Mt. Olive were visitors in the city yesterday.

If you fail to see our Christmas display you are missing something. Graham Hdwe. Co.

C. A. Stevenson of Springfield was a business visitor in the city yesterday.

J. W. Glasgow and R. H. Van Meter of Quincy were numbered among the Wednesday visitors in the city.

Zoo, King of Funny Games, 15c. North Side Drug Store.

Choice gifts a specialty. Graham Hdwe. Co.

William Nicol of Bloomington was attending to business matters in the city yesterday.

Visit Schram's jewelry store.

S. C. Shaw of Tallula was attending to business matters in the city yesterday.

W. A. Sanderson and F. J. Sommers of Pittsfield were visitors in Jacksonville Wednesday.

H. A. Powell of Springfield was a business visitor in the city yesterday.

COATS
CLEARANCE
SALE

Floreth Co.

TRIMMED HATS
CLEARANCE
SALE

Coat Sale and Trimmed Hat Sale

Save \$5.00 to \$7.50 Or More

This you can do if you buy your Winter Coat here. Listen to the story, it's short. We have about 75 ladies', this season's Coats that must be cleaned out in preparation of our annual inventory. To do this we must cut the prices deep, beginning at once and continuing until every coat is sold.

LADIES' COATS

\$30.00 Ladies' Plush Coats cut to . . . \$19.98
\$25.00 Ladies' all wool Velour and other fancy Coatings cut to . . . \$15.48
\$17.50 Ladies' all wool Coats cut to \$11.48
\$15.00 Ladies' all wool Coats cut to \$ 9.98
15 last season Ladies' Coats, former prices were from \$10 to \$15, good range of sizes; good warm coats, your choice for . . . \$ 4.98
FUR SALE! FUR SALE! FUR SALE!
\$2.50 Separate Neck Piece . . . \$1.48
\$3.50 Separate Neck Piece . . . \$2.48
\$4.50 Separate Neck Piece . . . \$3.48

TRIMMED HAT SALE

Do you need a new mid-winter Hat? Do you need your old hat made over? Now is your opportunity. We keep trimmers in our work room the year around. Every trimmed Hat in our millinery department ONE-HALF PRICE.

IN TWO LOTS—CHILDREN'S COATS

Don't Let Them Freeze at These Prices
\$7.50 and \$8.50 Children's Coats, all ages, 4 to 14 years, new cut price . . . \$5.48
\$5.50 and \$6.50 Children's Coats . . . \$4.48

Buy Christmas Handkerchiefs, Dresses, Scarfs, Angora Brush, Hoods, Dolls, Dress Goods, Silk Waists, Underwear

MAKE THIS STORE YOUR CHRISTMAS HEADQUARTERS

ALWAYS CASH

Floreth Co.

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Wanted--Old Iron

Delivered at Our Yards

We Will Pay You . . .

55¢ Per 100 Pounds

We Must Have 2,000 Tons Quick

"Country" Mixed Iron Wanted, old implements, machinery, etc.—must be free from sheet scrap, old boilers, ranges, etc.

GET OUR PRICES ON MISCELLANEOUS JUNK

Jacob Cohen & Sons

W. Lafayette, Ave., Jacksonville, Ill.

Phones: Ill. 355; Bell Main 215

Hughett's Cash Market

SPECIALS —for— CHRISTMAS

Elm City Flour	\$2.30
Mac's Best Flour	2.30
Minnesota Queen Flour	2.40
Zephyr Flour	2.65
25 lb. pocket Cane Sugar	1.95
Woodford Corn, per can12
Pride of Janesville, per can10
Elm City, per can10
2 cans No. 3 Tomatoes, Bunny Brand25
Jolly Brand Tomatoes, No. 2 can10
Comb Honey, 6 frames	1.00
Special Peaberry Coffee, 25c lb., 5 lbs.	1.10
Hughett's Hummer Baking Powder, no alum, 1 lb.22

DRESSED POULTRY

Fresh and Salt Meats at Lowest Cash Prices

Home Grown Potatoes, peck	45c
Home Grown Potatoes, bushel	\$1.75

Illinois Phone 129

Bell Phone 747

ATHENS CAMP ELECTS OFFICERS

Athens Camp No. 4580 R. N. A. at the regular meeting Wednesday evening elected officers and selected a delegate to the state convention to be held in East St. Louis. One candidate was initiated into the order. The following officers were chosen:

Oracle—Ella Brooks.
Vice Oracle—Azella Casey.
Counselor—Mabel Dunaway.
Recorder—Hattie Braner.
Receiver—Nellie Harvey.
Marshal—Mary Davis.
Inner Sentinel—Irene Claus.
Outer Sentinel—Mary Cosgriff.
Manager—Frances Weishman.
Physicians—Dr. G. R. Bradley and Dr. T. O. Hardesty.

Delegate to State Convention—Hattie Braner. Alternate, Mary Davis.

FOURTH WARD CHILDREN

HAD XMAS TREE
Following the program which had been prepared for the fourth ward school yesterday the children enjoyed a tree which had been provided by George S. Rogerson, member of the board of education. Thomas Hopper, also of the board, sent electric lights and various articles for trimming the tree, and members of the parent-teachers association saw to it that each and every child received an orange and a box of candy. It goes without saying that the children were enthusiastic in their approval.

If you fail to see our Christmas display you are missing something. Graham Hdwe. Co.

Special Line of

Christmas Candies

The best known brands in our extensive stock especially boxed for the holiday trade.

You make no mistake when you send candy.

Peacock Inn

South Side Square

VOTE ON PROHIBITION MEASURE IS DELAYED

Parliamentary Misplay Upsets Carefully Laid Plans

Move of Senator Ashurst, who favors District of Columbia Prohibition Bill, Blocks Plan for Immediate Vote on Measure and Final Action Will Go Over Until After Christmas Holidays

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—A parliamentary misplay by one of its friends upset plans today for an immediate vote on Senator Shepard's District of Columbia prohibition bill and advocates of the measure were obliged to agree that it go over until after the Christmas holidays for final action.

Senator Ashurst, who favors the bill without intention of imperilling a vote got unanimous consent for consideration of a miscellaneous land bill. The opponents of the prohibition bill were quick to take advantage of the opportunity to contend that it had been displaced before the senate and was supported by a ruling from the chair.

Senator Ashurst then sought to withdraw the land bill and did so physically by stepping to the desk and putting the document in his pocket.

Senator Reed of Missouri, insisted such a method of withdrawing bills was new in parliamentary procedure. "If men are permitted to dispose of legislation by physically applying strong arm methods and grabbing bills out of the possession of the senate," said Senator Reed, "legislative business then will resolve itself to grabbing and running. Under these circumstances the man who can grab the most and run the fastest would be the greatest statesman. If we are proceeding under Marquis of Queensbury rules it is time we knew it. We may even descend to packing house rules, which I understand permit using the thumbs and even the feline method or scratching with the finger nails."

Senator Ashurst declared he was not disturbed by Mr. Reed's attack. "The senator from Missouri," he said, "is incapable of carrying out here or elsewhere any threat he makes against me or against anyone else. He is fond of a joke against any one else but when it is on himself, he dances around like a rat on a griddle trying to get off."

He declared that if Senator Reed were fair about the prohibition bill he would allow it to come to a vote. "The saloon lost out in Arizona and elsewhere," he continued, "my such tactics as these. It committed suicide when it spewed the slime of politics like this on itself."

"It ill becomes the senator from Missouri to rely on technical ideas and motions against this bill and it ill becomes him to insinuate I have purloined this bill."

As he concluded the Arizona senator walked slowly down the aisle, waving the bill over his head and restored it to the clerk's desk.

"The Indians of Oklahoma may suffer but whiskey will still reign in the national capital," said he.

When you want handkerchiefs go to Hillerby's Dry Goods Store.

APPOINTS DOWNSIDE MEN.

Chicago, Dec. 20.—Attorney General-elect Edward J. Brundage announced today three appointments. Henry Hawkins of Chicago will be an assistant in the local inheritance tax office and William E. Trautmann of East St. Louis and Noah C. Bannum of Carmel will be assistants in the attorney general's office at Springfield.

MOORE TAKES LEAD.

New York, Dec. 20.—George Moore holder of the three cushion carom billiard title, took the lead tonight in a 150 point match with Alfredo De Oro, the Cuban, by winning the second block by a score of 62 to 45. Moore's total for the first two blocks is 100 and De Oro's 95. Eighty seven innings were played. Moore's high run was 6 and De Oro's 7. The final block will be played tomorrow night.

ORDERED TO PAY FUNDS.

Chicago, Dec. 20.—A writ of mandamus ordering Charles H. Sengel, city treasurer, to pay more than 600 city employees their back salaries was issued tonight by superior Judge David and Sullivan.

The salaries have been held up since Nov. 15 owing to lack of funds in the city treasury. City Electricians and deputy bailiffs and clerks are affected.

NORWEGIAN SHIP SUNK.

London, Dec. 20.—Lloyd's reports the Norwegian steamer Prima of 1,234 tons register, sunk.

FIVE WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES OBSERVED

Unusual Event at Home of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Litter—Dinner a Feature of the Occasion.

Literberry, Ill., Dec. 20.—Quite an interesting anniversary was observed at Shady Lawn Tuesday, Dec. 19. It was a joint marriage anniversary of five couples and they met at the beautiful home of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Litter for the celebration. The dates of the marriages were:

F. H. Crum and Miss Jennie Henderson, married Dec. 19, 1872, by Rev. John Eckman.

J. M. Litter and Miss Mollie Henderson, married Dec. 19, 1882, by Rev. Newton Rutledge.

H. G. Crum and Miss Maella Litter, married Dec. 19, 1902, by Rev. T. H. Marsh.

O. E. Crum and Miss Nellie May McDonald, married Dec. 19, 1906, by Rev. T. H. Marsh.

Charles McDonald and Miss Catherine Pettifish, married Dec. 19, 1913, by Rev. W. H. Dickman.

Others who did not belong to this 19 combination but who were perfectly willing to join in the celebration were Mr. and Mrs. Will Henderson of Little Indian, Mr. and Mrs. D. K. McCarthy, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Daniels and son Harold of Literberry.

When dinner was served place cards of Christmas design were at each plate and after the guests had taken their places, the first thing they admired on the table was a handsome Christmas tree about 2½ feet high and with pretty trimmings, which was placed on a beautiful centerpiece of embroidered linen and graced the center of the table. This was a turkey dinner, with all the trimmings, such as salads and pickles of all kinds, cranberry sauce, light rolls, honey, preserves, jelly, icecream and cake of three kinds, all light as a feather and good to the taste. Home made candy, the best ever, and Mocha coffee with Jersey cream, was served at the last course. All who have ever sat around a table prepared by Mrs. J. M. Litter and Mrs. S. H. Crum knew about how tempting and appetizing the good things are. It goes without saying that not one of the family or guests once thought of the high cost of living.

The comfortable rooms were all decorated with vines, ferns and other green plants, while the parlor was favored with white chrysanthemums. The smoking room had no decorations, nor did it need any, for the cigars were of the best and there were plenty of them. The presents were of good quality and choice. The afternoon was spent in social conversation, and the splendid music was furnished by Mrs. H. D. Crum. This was the 44th anniversary of S. H. Crum and wife, and the 3rd for Mr. and Mrs. Charlie McDonald, but for cheerfulness and happy looks, we could see no difference in the old couple and the young. We wish for these good people, many more happy gatherings.

MILITARY WEDDING

AT WEST POINT. The chapel of the United States Military Academy was the scene of a brilliant military wedding this afternoon when Miss Vera Mae Kreger, daughter of Col. E. A. Kreger, who is professor of law at the academy, became the bride of Lieut. J. Huntington Mills, U. S. A., son of Mrs. Glade and Captain Herman Glade, U. S. A.

WILL PROTECT AJO CITY

San Antonio, Tex., Dec. 20.—General Funston today ordered Colonel Richard H. Wilson, commanding troops in the Yuma district to send a sufficient force to Ajo, Arizona, to protect the place against threatened Mexican trouble. Large mines are located at Ajo.

NEGRO FIREMEN KILLED.

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 20.—Three negro firemen were killed and one white man seriously injured tonight by an explosion of steam pipes on the Old Dominion liner Princess Anne, enroute from this port of New York. The explosion occurred in the outer harbor and the ship was forced to return for repairs.

INCREASES IN PAY.

McAlester, Okla., Dec. 20.—Increase in pay averaging from five to fifteen percent and improved working conditions were stipulated in the biennial working agreement approved here today by representatives of the United Mine Workers of America and the recently organized Oklahoma Coal Operators' association. The contract will be submitted to a referendum of the 8,000 miners affected.

TELLS OF BUYING AND SELLING WILD HORSES

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the witness said insisted on the company capturing the horses. They could be corralled, he told the jury, but it would be a "man size job."

In the beginning said Smith, he went into the business of buying and selling wild horses to help a friend, A. O. Perry, who was also indicted. He bought the 1,200 horses for Perry. An Omaha banker, J. E. Flack, he further testified, advised him to incorporate the United States Livestock Company which he did for \$250,000 to buy and sell horses.

Smith denied he represented the horses as from "blooded, imported stock," but told purchasers they were of good bone and good color. Asked by the United States district attorney why he carried pictures of Percheron's taken on the Smith ranch at Newport, Neb., about with him and showed them to prospective buyers, Smith said it was because "of fond recollections of Newport ranch."

As soon as the suit is finished, Smith said he would go to Arizona and help all purchasers now holding bills of sale, round up the wild horses and ship them to market.

Western ranchers testified the market value of mustangs ranged from \$8 to \$20 a head.

When you want handkerchiefs go to Hillerby's Dry Goods Store.

WAR SECRETS COME OUT IN TESTIMONY

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The vice-consul denied Crowley or anyone else had been hired to do dynamiting.

This was the first day of the defense. In his opening statement Roche said he would prove investigators engaged by the German consulate had been for purposes other than dynamiting ships loaded with supplies for the entente allies as is alleged by the government.

Roche said he would show that submarines for the British were built in the United States in San Francisco and their parts shipped to Canada where they were assembled.

He said men were hired to trace these activities, all of which was of much interest to Germany and that a plan of shipping Japanese from San Francisco for war duty by means of British ships had also been uncovered. The Japanese he said were taken by ship somewhere in the Pacific and transferred to Japanese warships.

Three days more to get bargains in Christmas specialties. Graham Hdw. Co.

PASS APPROPRIATION BILL

Washington, Dec. 20.—An urgent deficiency appropriation bill carrying approximately \$4,500,000 was passed today by both houses and senate and sent to the president for approval. It provides \$1,250,000 for dependents of national guardsmen engaged in Mexican border service, \$210,000 for the Philadelphia; \$37,000 for the Denver and \$25,000 for the San Francisco mints and \$45,000 for the New York assay office.

AMBASSADOR WILLARD RETURNS TO POST

New York, Dec. 20.—Joseph E. Willard, United States ambassador to Spain, who has been in this country for some weeks on leave of absence, is among the passengers booked to sail for Europe today. Mrs. Willard, who returned home with her husband, is accompanying him back to Madrid.

FIFTEENTH BIRTHDAY

OF PRINCE GEORGE. London, Dec. 20.—Prince George the fourth son of their Majesties entered upon his fifteenth year today. Following in the footsteps of his father, the Prince will be trained for a naval career. Already he has been passed by the admiralty as a candidate for the Royal Naval College. During his two years' training at that institution he will fare in exactly the same way as other cadets, with the same hours of study, the same food and accommodation, and, like the other boys, with one shilling as pocket money and no tuck shop account allowed.

DECLARES REPUBLICAN PARTY LACKS A LEADER

New York, Dec. 20.—Declaring that the Republican party lacks a leader, Charles D. Hilles, former chairman of the national committee urged at a meeting of the Republican club here tonight that a conference of men prominent in the party councils be held in Washington within a few months to plan for the next presidential campaign.

Other speakers urged the need of organization. Senator John W. Weeks of Massachusetts proposed a return to "party machines."

RELEASED ON \$5,000 BOND

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 20.—Seven former officials of the home builders, a building and loan association, arrested here today under federal indictments charged with conspiring to use the mails to defraud were released tonight on \$5,000 bond each. The corporation has an authorized capital stock of \$1,250,000 and 4500 stockholders.

Representations alleged to have been made by the corporation that dividends had not been paid out of money received for stock and that it had not bought unimproved property were the basis of the federal indictments, it is said.

NOBLEMEN KILLED IN WAR.

London, Dec. 20.—The new Almanach de Gotha's list of nobility fallen in the war includes 268 counts, 567 barons and 1,465 lesser nobility.

FUNERALS

McGlothlin

Funeral services for James McGlothlin were held from the residence of his daughter Mrs. Louis Magill 788 East College avenue Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock in charge of the Rev. A. A. Todd, pastor of First Baptist church. Music was furnished by a quartet composed of Mrs. Hart, Miss Eva Breitweiser, H. A. Brewer and W. W. Gillham. The flowers were cared for by Mrs. Phillip Braner and Mrs. Len G. Magill. Burial was in Jacksonville cemetery the bearers being, J. W. Peaker, E. H. Redburn, Matthew Henderson, Ezra Scott, John Minter and A. P. Vasconcellos.

Brown

Funeral services for Albert E. Brown, Jr. were held from the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Patton of Webster avenue Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock in charge of the Rev. A. A. Todd, pastor of First Baptist church. Burial was in Jacksonville cemetery.

Smith

The body of Alfred Smith arrived from Bloomington Tuesday and from the train was taken at once to Jacksonville cemetery where brief services were held, in charge of the Rev. H. H. DeWitt, pastor of Second Baptist church. The bearers were James McDaniel, John Spencer, Mr. Avington and Edward Moore.

Whalen

Funeral services for William Whalen, who passed away Monday afternoon at his home south of the city, were held Wednesday forenoon at 9 o'clock. Mass was celebrated by the Rev. F. F. Formaz.

Burial was made in Calvary cemetery. The bearers were William Tarzwell, William Whalen Jr., Edward O'Meara, John Welsh, Patrick Shanahan and Benjamin Ho-dapp.

The last shipment fancy boxes in today. Better get yours now and get the pick of them.

MULLENIX & HAMILTON.

DUTCH STEAMSHIP HELD UP BY U-BOAT

Boston, Dec. 20.—The Dutch steam ship Maartensdyk was held up 100 miles from Falmouth, England, on Dec. 4, by a German submarine, which fired a shot across her bow, but later allowed her to proceed. Captain Rynik reported when his vessel arrived here today from Rotterdam. The submarine apparently was of a new and larger type, he said.

ADOPTS ORDINANCE.

Chicago, Dec. 20.—The city council today adopted an ordinance declaring the franchise and property of the Illinois Tunnel Co., forfeited. The company owned and operated the automatic telephone system here and it was charged, failed to meet the franchise terms by operating a sufficient number of telephones.

A Few Things Men Would Like to Have for Christmas Presents

Fur Caps	\$1.50	\$3.00	\$5.00
Felt Hats	\$2.00	\$2.50	\$3.00
Sweaters	\$2.50	\$3.00	\$4.00
Flannel Shirts	\$1.00	\$1.50	\$2.00
Pajamas	\$1.00	\$1.50	\$2.00
Gloves	\$1.00	\$1.50	\$2.00
Shirts	\$.75	\$1.00	\$1.50
Mufflers	\$.50	\$1.00	\$1.50
Neck Ties	\$.25	\$.50	\$.75

J. CAPPS & SONS'

100% PURE WOOL SUIT OR OVERCOAT WOULD MAKE A NICE CHRISTMAS PRESENT!

T. M. Tomlinson

The 100% Pure Wool Store

U. S. WASTE MATERIAL BUSINESS \$1,000,000,000

New York, Dec. 20.—Bought as "junk" the Chicago, Anamosa & Northern otherwise known as the "C. A. N." road has been resold and will be torn up and with its rolling stock shipped to England and relaid, according to its purchaser, Herman Sonker, attending the quarterly session here of the National association of Waste Material Dealers. He said he expects to make the same disposition of another road he owns the Iowa Short Line, which he also bought as "waste material."

The price of old rails and iron has reached such heights, Mr. Sonker said, that the sale of the C. A. N. road realized a very handsome profit. The road is thirty six miles in length.

The waste material business in the United States in 1916 has amounted to more than \$1,000,000,000 officials of the association assert.

"The paper manufacturers in recent months have assured us repeatedly that they were not in the market," said one official. "The fact is the paper mills are getting all the waste material they need. There have been extraordinary increases in the prices of waste materials during the last year, it was announced. Used Sunday five-cent newspapers are now worth one cent, old black stockings bring about one cent a pair, woolen rags are worth sixteen cents a pound

to dealers, while mixed rags sell for four and a half cents in New England and three and a half cents in the middle west.

Skates, Sleds, Kiddy Cars, Velocipedes and a score of other good gifts for everybody. Graham Hdw. Co.

NEW BERLIN MAN IN SPRINGFIELD HOSPITAL

Whiskey Bottle Cuts Gash in Hip When He Falls on Slippery Walk.

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 20.—Special—Conrad Phelps of New Berlin is confined in the hospital at this place, suffering from a deep three inch gash in his hip, as a result of falling on the slippery side walks last night and breaking a whiskey bottle which he had in his pocket.

LADIES' FURS

Right styles, right qualities, right prices. FRANK BYRNS Hat Store right place.

MINONK BANKER DIES.

Bloomington, Ill., Dec. 20.—C. R. Danforth for almost 50 years a banker at Minonk, Ill., died tonight after a brief illness.

He was 70 years old.

NEW STATE'S ATTORNEY CHANGES SYSTEM

Grand Jury Will Adjourn in Springfield Today—Mortimer Eliminates Preliminary Report.

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 20.—Special—The grand jury which is in session at this city will adjourn tomorrow. Its running system has been completely changed by Fred Mortimer, the new state's attorney. The preliminary report made by the grand jury will be eliminated. "I do not expect to compile reports in the future until the jury is ready to be discharged," said Mortimer.

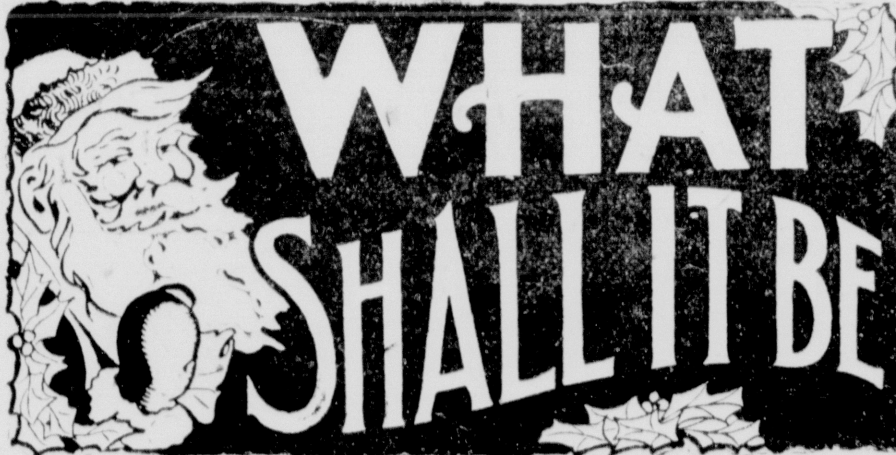
Visit Schram's jewelry store.

SHOT FOUR TIMES; DEAD. Omaha, Neb., Dec. 20.—Dorothy Rader, 25, kept a tryst here tonight with F. W. Fuller, 45 years old of Lexington, Neb., and was shot four times with a large caliber automatic revolver and killed. Fuller is held by the police.

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY

FOR SALE—A \$350 Kurzman upright piano, Mahogany case. Practically new. At bargain price. Ill. phone 496. 12-21-tf

Make Your Selections Now. We Will Deliver Them When You Wish.



You'll Find

What You Want and Save Money At Our Store.

Come to Our Store and You'll Decide In a Moment.

Here are some of the things you have to select from—our goods and prices will please you:

Men's Suits	\$7.00 to \$30.00	Trunks	\$2.50 to \$25.00
Boys' Suits	\$3.00 to \$10.00	Gloves	\$.25 to \$ 5.00
Men's Overcoats	\$7.00 to \$30.00	Men's Hose	\$.10 to \$.75
Boys' Overcoats	\$2.00 to \$10.00	Ladies' Hose	\$.25 to \$ 1.50
Mackinaws	\$4.00 to \$12.00	Children's Hose	\$.15 to \$.35
Raincoats	\$2.00 to \$20.00	Ladies' Silk and Kid Gloves	\$.50 to \$ 1.50
Sweaters	\$.50 to \$10.00	Mufflers	\$.25 to \$ 3.50
Underwear	\$.50 to \$ 5.00	Handkerchiefs (initial)	\$.05 to \$.50
Hats	\$.25 to \$ 1.50	Suspenders	\$.25 to \$ 1.00
Fur Caps	\$1.50 to \$ 5.00	Supporters	\$.15 to \$.50
Bath Robes	\$4.50 to \$ 8.00	Cuff Buttons	\$.25 to \$ 1.50
House Coats	\$4.00 to \$10.00	Stick Pins	\$.25 to \$ 1.50
Shirts	\$.50 to \$ 5.00	Chains and Knives	\$1.00 to \$ 2.00
Neckwear	\$.25 to \$ 1.50	Collar Bags	\$1.00 to \$ 1.50
Caps and Scarfs	\$.50 to \$ 1.50	House Slippers	\$.75 to \$ 1.00
Fancy Vests	\$1.00 to \$ 5.00	Tie Racks	\$.50 to \$ 1.00
Pajamas	\$1.00 to \$ 2.00	Umbrellas	\$.50 to \$ 5.00
Night Shirts	\$.50 to \$ 1.50	Belts	\$.25 to \$ 1.50
Suit Cases and Bags	\$1.00 to \$25.00	Children's Knit Suits	\$2.50 to \$ 4.00
		Men's and Ladies' Auto Gloves	\$.50 to \$ 3.00
		Ladies' Auto Caps	\$.50 to \$ 1.00

Gifts for the Whole Family.



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The first payment makes you a member. There are no other expenses.

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We know of no savings plan in the United States so beneficial in teaching the saving habit, or so profitable in actual earnings for the saver as that of

THE 1917 CHRISTMAS SAVINGS CLUB

—of the—

Ayers National Bank

The Following Table Shows Our List of Clubs

Members starting with 5 cents and increasing 5 cents each week for 50 weeks will get \$63.75	Members starting with 2 cents and increasing 2 cents each week for 50 weeks will get \$25.50	Members starting with 1 cent and increasing 1 cent each week for 50 weeks will get \$12.75	Members paying 25c a week fixed, for 50 weeks, will get \$12.50
Members starting with \$2.50 and decreasing 5 cents each week for 50 weeks, will get \$63.75	Members starting with \$1.00 and decreasing 2 cents each week for 50 weeks, will get \$25.50	Members starting with 50 cents and decreasing 1 cent each week for 50 weeks, will get \$12.75	Members paying 50c a week fixed, for 50 weeks, will get \$25.00
			Members paying \$1.00 a week fixed, for 50 weeks, get \$50.00

What Will You Give?

Below we list a few items from our large stock:

Holiday Stationery . . . 25c to \$1
Hair Brushes . . . 25c to \$5
Manicure Sets . . . \$1 to \$10
Perfumes . . . 10c to \$5
Comb and Brush Sets \$1 to \$5
Shaving Sets . . . \$1.50 to \$3
Comb, Brush and Mirror Sets . . . \$1.50 to \$15
Fountain Pens . . . \$1 to \$7.50
Mirrors . . . 50c to \$5
Military Brushes \$1.25 to \$7.50
Cameras . . . \$2 to \$25
Safety Razors . . . 25c to \$5
Cigars in Boxes . . . 50c to \$5
Shaving Brushes . . . 25c to \$1.50
White Ivory Toilet Articles . . . 25c to \$1.75
Thermos Bottles \$1.25 to \$3.75
Toilet Waters . . . 25c to \$2.50
Combs . . . 10c to \$1.50

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High Grade Circular Letters
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EXTENSIVE
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JACKSONVILLE, ILL.
Pamphlets Phone 956 Novelties

TROLLEY DAY BENEFIT

As a result of the trolley day benefit for the Associated Charities the sum of \$193.79 was raised. The young women who devoted their services for the collecting of fares received sums varying from \$5 to \$15. Altogether the contributions were accounted as quite generous.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank the neighbors and friends for their assistance and after the death of Francis Murgatroyd. Mrs. F. E. Murgatroyd and children.



THE Texas Wonder cures kidney and bladder troubles, dissolves gravel, cures diabetes, weak and lame backs, rheumatism and all irregularities of the kidneys and bladder in both men and women. It is not sold by your druggist, will be sent by mail on receipt of \$1. One small bottle is two months' treatment and seldom fails to give a cure. Send for testimonials from this and other States. Dr. E. W. Hall, 228 Olive St. St. Louis, Mo. Sold by druggists.—Adv. 2

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The best work with the highest quality of materials is guaranteed here.
Phone for prices or any other information.

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MISS ANN CLEARY WEDS IN SEATTLE

Well Known Morgan County Young Woman Now Wife of Charles Farmer—Announcement Will Come as Surprise to Friends Here.

The many friends of Miss Ann Cleary will be surprised to learn of her marriage in Seattle, Wash., Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock, to Mr. Charles Farmer of Langley, Wash. The ceremony was held by Rev. W. D. Green of the Baptist church.

While the bride was a student in St. Louis she had as a classmate Miss Emily Farmer, a sister of the groom, and it was thru this acquaintance that the young people learned of each other.

Mrs. Farmer is the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Cleary who reside northeast of the city. She is a former student of the Illinois college conservatory and has a large circle of friends to join in extending congratulations.

The groom has always lived in the west and is a prominent merchant and real estate man. He is also interested in salmon fishery. They expect to make their home in Langley, Wash., where they will carry with them the heartiest wishes for a very happy married life.

A complete line of electric and gas portables, electric irons, percolators and other goods always useful and especially suitable for Christmas remembrances.

G. A. Sieber, South Main St.

Mrs. S. D. Masters, who has been spending several weeks here at the home of her son, A. M. Masters, will leave today for Indianapolis. Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Masters and their two daughters, Eleanor and Florence Leonard Masters, will go to Indianapolis to spend the holidays at the home of Mrs. Newcomb.

RUSSELL & THOMPSON'S cut glass.

ROWLAND IS ON THE JOB AGAIN

Has Been Reappointed Manager of Chicago White Sox—Here in 1916.

The many friends of Clarence Rowland in this city will be glad to learn that he has been reappointed manager of the Chicago White Sox by Charles Comiskey for 1917. Mr. Rowland managed a team here in 1910 in the Northern Association and gave us one of the best teams we ever had.

When the 1916 season closed in the American league there were many predictions that Rowland would not stick another year. It was pointed out that Rowland had a team of stars and that Comiskey had spent unlimited money in an effort to get a pennant winner and Rowland had fallen down on the job.

In fact some of the writers on the city dailies said that Rowland was all right in the bushes but that he would not do in the big show. We are of the opinion that George Stallings, Connie Mack, "Jawn" McGraw and Bill Carrigan rolled into one could not have made a pennant winner out of the Sox last year.

To begin with Rowland's pitchers did not come thru. On paper he had what looked to be one of the best staffs in either league. But they didn't deliver. That alone should tell the tale for a team can't win without good pitching. Then to top this off Schalk was hurt several times. Eddie Collins had a bad year and when the season closed the Sox were still shy what they started with in the spring—a third baseman.

Comiskey indicated in an interview in Chicago shortly after the reappointment of Rowland that he would be the manager in reality next year. Many people even those who were not Rowland's friends stated almost openly last season that Rowland did not have full control of the team. We never thought he had. We have always believed, however, judging from his past record, even if it was made in the bushes, that if Rowland is given absolute control of the team he will get results and perhaps win a pennant for Comiskey. We say this because we know that ball players are all pretty much alike whether big league stars or bushers.

OPEN EVENINGS

Our store will be open evenings the remainder of the week for Christmas shopping.

Harmon's Dry Goods Store.

I. S. D. CHILDREN WILL LEAVE TODAY

Half Student Body to Go Home for Vacation—Teachers Leave City

Pupils of the State School for the Deaf who are going home for the Christmas vacation, which extends to January 3, will leave today. About half of the pupils will remain at the institution during the vacation period and one half will go home. They will travel attended by chaperones, who will take them to the principal cities, where they will be met by friends. Frank Mather will go to Chicago, E. E. Rogers to East St. Louis, Miss Belle Howard to Peoria and Miss Effie J. Race to Decatur. The number of pupils remaining at the institution is larger than usual during the Christmas vacation period. A number of the teachers at the school will remain in Jacksonville but the greater number will go elsewhere to spend the vacation with friends or relatives.

Among those who will leave today or tomorrow are Miss Orr, Kansas City; Miss Davis, St. Louis; Miss Taft, Keene, N. H.; Miss Martin, Pawnee, Okla.; Miss Burns, Lexington, Ky.; Misses Mary and Laura Carter, Stanford, Ky.; Miss Daniels, Chicago; Miss Jordan Lafayette, Ind.; Miss Kruger, Iowa.

Get one of our 5 lb. family packages fine chocolates before they are all gone.

MOLLENBACH-HAMILTON

ASSOCIATED CHARITIES READY TO DISTRIBUTE GIFTS

The Associated Charities office is now receiving frequent requests for assistance, and Miss Weller knows of a number of worthy families who need supplies. All cases are investigated before aid is given. Those most interested in the Associated Charities work state that they can make good use of groceries, clothing or special Christmas contributions.

Sunkist oranges, 50c peck; fancy mixed nuts, 20c lb., 5 lbs. 90c; No. 1 walnuts 5 lbs. \$1. Taylor's Grocery.

ELECTED OFFICERS

Household of Ruth No. 231 met in regular meeting after which the following officers were elected for the year:

P. M. N. G.—Minerva Dewitt.
R. N. G.—Sarah Rice.
M. N. G.—Willie B. Brooks.
W. R. Jennie Jones.
N. G.—Jessie Allen.
W. Treas.—Angie Harris.
W. P.—Lucy Holden.
W. V. Sher.—Winnie Holmes.
W. Shepherd.—Lillie Moore.
W. Chamberlain.—Anna Johnson.
W. Counselor.—Kittie Brown.
Trustees—N. J. Blue, Mary Banks, Lillie Moore.
Stewards to M. N. G.—Ollie Williams, N. J. Blue.
Stewards to R. N. G.—Mattie Jackson, Kittie Brown.

OUR STORE WILL BE OPEN THURSDAY, FRIDAY AND SATURDAY EVENINGS UNTIL 9 O'CLOCK.
F. J. WADDELL & CO.

WILL GIVE OYSTER SUPPER
An oyster supper will be given at West Liberty school Friday evening Dec. 21 for the benefit of the school library.

QUALITY SERVICE PRICES LOWEST

All Popular
Copyright Books 50c

25c for Boy's and
Girl's Books

LOOK

All kinds of Novelties—good, cheap. Make this store your Xmas store—Toilet Cases, Traveling Cases, Smokers' Wants, Stationery, Bibles, Games, in fact every thing and any thing you want.

WE EITHER HAVE IT, WILL GET IT OR IT IS NOT MADE

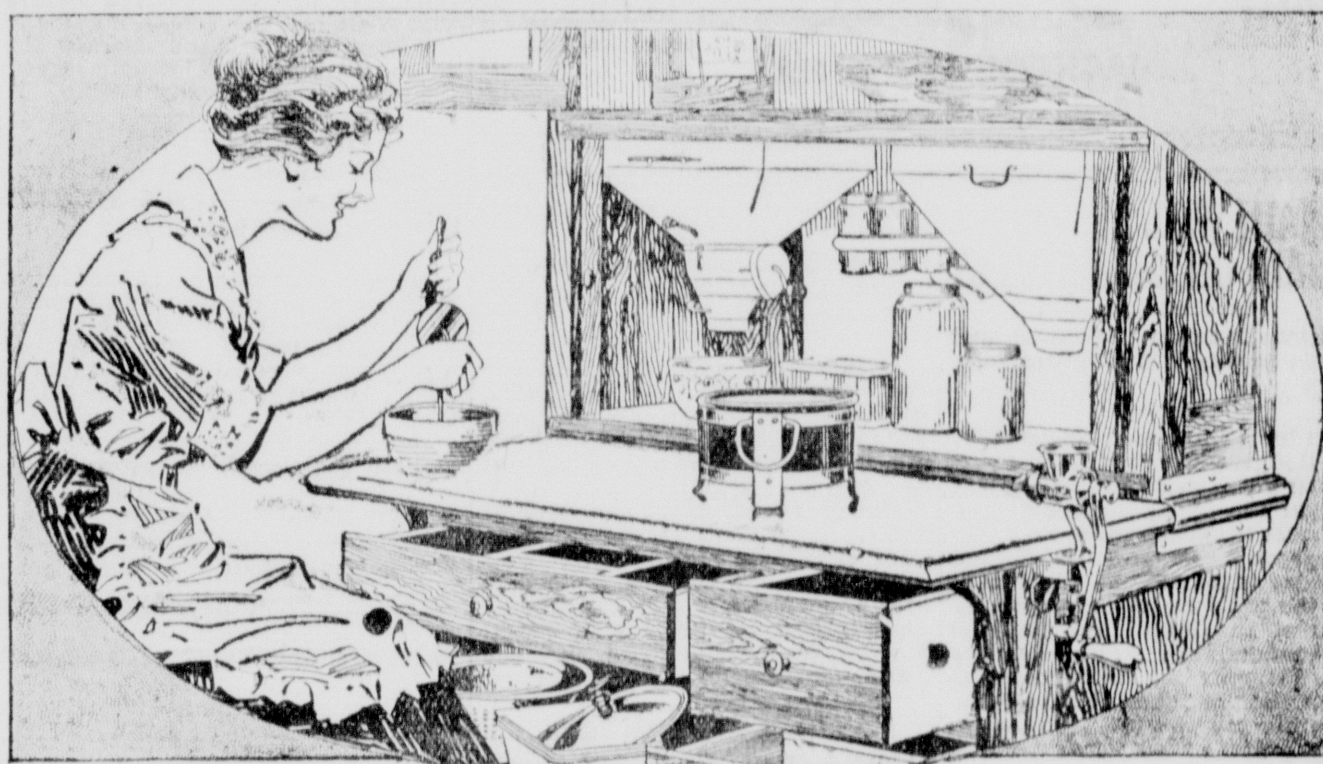
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Mother's Christmas Present—A Hoosier Kitchen Cabinet

"Saves Her Miles of Steps"

We are going to make it so every home can have one of these wonderful work savers for Xmas.

\$1.00—Upon the payment of a single dollar we will deliver a Hoosier Cabinet Christmas Eve to any responsible home in the city or pay freight to your nearest station, if in the country. What can possibly be more reasonable?

Very Reasonable in Price—The prices of Hoosiers are always reasonable. They vary from \$12.50 to \$38.00, owing to pattern and conveniences.

Johnson, Hackett & Guthrie

East Side Square

Christmas Suggestions

\$1.50 Men's Suit Cases, Umbrellas.

\$1.00 Ladies' double silk Gloves in Christmas boxes.

29c Ladies' Initial handkerchiefs, 3 in box.

25c Children's Handkerchiefs, 3 in box, figures in fast colors.

15c Ladies' all linen hand embroidered Handkerchiefs.

50c Embroidered Dress or Scarfs in white—new.

\$1.00 Fern Waists and Middys, new ones

29c Special embroidered Guest Towels, fine for gifts.

Fine Comforts Make
Welcome Gifts

Phone 309

HILLERBY'S
Dry Goods Store

We Keep Open Evenings from Tuesday 19th until Christmas.

Come in and look around.

Close at 9 P. M.

50c Ladies' Silk Boot Hose in black—all sizes.

50c Men's Neck Ties in fancy boxes.

25c Men's fancy or plain Silk Sox.

\$1.50 Ladies' Kid Gloves, in fancy box.

50c A big variety of Ivory Toilet Articles.

\$1.00 to \$1.50 ladies' Kimonos in new colors and styles.

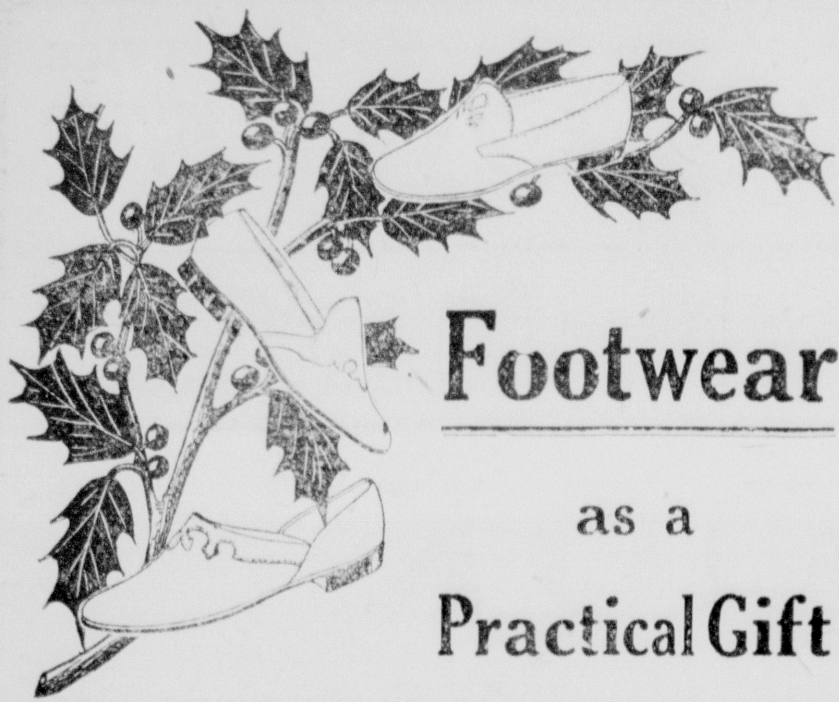
\$1.00 Men's or women's outing Gowns—heavy weight, large sizes.

\$1.50 pr. ladies' Mocha Gloves, silk lining, all colors.

Silk Skirts for gifts, all colors \$2.98, \$3.48, \$4.48

Hand made Fancy and Useful Gifts—See Them.

SAFEST PLACE TO TRADE



Footwear as a Practical Gift

If you are undecided as to what to give to some friend, has it ever occurred to you that some form of footwear is an often needed and very acceptable gift?

We can assist you in your gift buying with our footwear suggestions. **For Men**—A nice pair of Stacy Adams or Walk-Over Shoes, House Slippers or Rubber Footwear of some kind. **For a Lady Friend**—A pair of those nice new colored top Shoes, Dress Slippers, Felt Footwear of all kinds. Shoes and Slippers for children.

DRESS SHOES AND OXFORDS FOR MEN

Leggins,
Overgaiters,
Shoe Trees,
Shoe Trees,
Polishes
and Laces

WEAR HOPPER'S SHOES



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Felts,
Arctics,
Alaskas,
Rubbers,
and Boots
of all kinds

GAS MAIN WILL BE LAID ON ANNA STREET

Connection Between Diamond and Prairie Streets Will Help the Service.

An order was signed yesterday by Mayor Rodgers and City Clerk Pyatt authorizing the Jacksonville Railway and Light Co. to lay a gas main on Anna street between Diamond and Prairie streets. The work was begun Wednesday afternoon and night. Gray thinks the task can be completed by the end of the week. The purpose of this connection is to furnish better service not only for the consumers on South Diamond street but in other parts of the fourth ward. The signing of the permit was by agreement on the part of the city commissioners. All parties to the proposed settlement of the Jacksonville rate case have affixed their signatures and it is now practically a settled fact that the agreement will be approved by the utilities commission. The permit indicates, therefore, very plainly that the existing differences between the company and the city have been settled and the company can now proceed with any work in prospect.

It is probable that at a comparatively early date an additional main will be laid on Anna street to provide better service for third ward patrons and to give some relief to the main which furnishes gas to the first ward.

The matter of laying a main on Fayette street from Anna and thence west on State street to Webster avenue will probably not receive attention until spring. The original proposal was for a 12-inch main on State street, but this size will probably not be necessary or advisable for the entire length of the street. It is understood that Supr. Gray and the city council both approved of the plan, having this main laid underneath the boulevard instead of under the pavement proper. This plan has the advantage that if it is ever necessary to open the main that there is no resulting pavement damage.

MAKE LASTING GIFTS
to your friends by giving them good books. Our assortment is large.
LANE'S BOOK STORE.

WILL GIVE PROGRAM
A program will be given by the Citizens Literary society at Second Christian church this evening. A debate will follow the program. All are cordially invited.

KEEP OPEN
MY STORE WILL BE KEPT OPEN THURSDAY, FRIDAY AND SATURDAY NIGHTS THIS WEEK. J. HERMAN.

Mr. and Mrs. William Kennedy and children were summoned to New Berlin yesterday on account of the serious illness of Mrs. Kennedy's mother, Mrs. Dietrich. Pneumonia is the cause of Mrs. Dietrich's illness and as she is seventy-four years of age her condition has caused serious apprehension.

Choice gifts a specialty. Graham Hdw. Co.

Edward Gerst spent the day hunting Wednesday near Virginia. He was a guest of his brother-in-law, Samuel R. Turner. Mr. and Mrs. Turner are expected in Jacksonville Monday to spend Christmas at the home of Mrs. Turner's mother, Mrs. Mary Buckingham.

PLEADS GUILTY TO FOUR INDICTMENTS

New York, Dec. 20.—Albert Freeman pleaded guilty here today to four indictments charging him with conspiracy to defraud investors through illegal use of the mails and was fined \$3,000 which he paid promptly. A jury before which he was tried for a second time recently in the federal court disagreed.

Freeman was indicted jointly with Julian Hawthorne the author and Dr. William J. Morton of Boston, several years ago in connection with a mining swindle.

Freeman who at the time was described as the chief promoter of the scheme was sentenced to serve five years in the federal penitentiary at Atlanta, Ga. Hawthorne and Dr. Morton each served one year in the federal penitentiary at Atlanta, Ga. Freeman appealed and was granted a new trial on a technicality.

Judge Augustus N. Hand in imposing the fine which enables Freeman to escape a prison sentence, declared that he did not think the fine adequate punishment.

THE BEST SELLERS

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LANE'S BOOK STORE.

NEW TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM PLANNED

CHICAGO, Dec. 20.—Detailed plans for a new transportation system for the city which will provide adequate service for a population of 8,000,000 at a cost of \$45,000,000 in 1920 were sent to the city council tonight by the Chicago Traction and Subway commission.

The report was referred to a committee on local transportation for consideration.

Under the plan prepared by the experts a subway loop for use of surface and elevated lines is provided for the downtown district. The subway lines are to be gradually extended to the city limits. The plan contemplates an expenditure of \$98,000,000 in the first nine years and a minimum of \$275,000,000 before 1950. Under the arrangement the city may purchase and operate the entire transportation system when the work is completed in 1960.

LADIES' FURS

Right styles, right qualities,
right prices—**FRANK BYRNS**
Hat Store—right place.

Mrs. D. R. Browning will leave tonight for Kentucky to spend a number of weeks with relatives in Louisville and Lexington. Mrs. Browning will probably make a brief visit in Kansas before returning to her home here.

Visit Schram's jewelry store.

Henry Rohlf of Alexander returned Wednesday from a visit of two days in Springfield.

MRS. CLAUDE THOMAS SUCCUMBS TO BURNS

Death Claims Victim of Terrible Accident Late Wednesday Forenoon at the Home Near Winchester—Town Clock Benefit Fund and other Winchester Notes.

Winchester, Ill., Dec. 20.—Death came this forenoon and put an end to the sufferings of Mrs. Claude Thomas, who was burned in a coal oil lamp explosion the evening before and who had since lain near the point of death at her home five and one-half miles northwest of here, the labors of six surgeons, who were called during the night, proving unavailing. Mrs. Thomas was forty-two years of age and had spent her life in Scott county. The hearts of everyone in the community will go out to the family in this hour of bereavement. For Mrs. Thomas was a woman of true worth, a trusted friend and a devoted Christian worker, with a spirit ever ready to give aid to all who needed help or comfort.

Drs. G. C. Brengle and William O'Reilly were at once called from Winchester and a summons was sent for Dr. Carl E. Black of Jacksonville. Dr. Thomas of Roodhouse, a brother-in-law, was notified, as were two brothers of Mrs. Thomas, Dr. Oscar Edmondson of Peoria, and Dr. George Edmondson of Clinton. The former drove by auto a long distance to catch a train and Dr. Oscar Edmondson made the entire trip from Clinton in his car, arriving this morning before daylight. Mrs. Thomas was badly burned about the chest, face and limbs and it was soon evident that hope for her recovery was very slight.

Besides the husband, Mrs. Thomas is survived by one daughter, Miss Helen Thomas, a graduate of Illinois Woman's college, Jacksonville; by her father, Mr. B. Edmondson of Clayton, Ill., and by the following brothers and sisters:

James Edmondson, Winchester; Mrs. W. B. Clark, of Winchester; Dr. Oscar Edmondson of Peoria; Dr. George Edmondson of Clinton; Otis Edmondson of Kansas City; Elsie Edmondson of St. Louis; Mrs. T. K. Sudduth of Winchester, Ky.

Mrs. Thomas' Marriage took place twenty-three years ago, the 26th of December. Otis Edmondson, one of the brothers is expected to arrive from Kansas City Thursday morning. Miss Elsie Edmondson is already here.

Funeral services will be held Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Baptist church, of which Mrs. Thomas was a member. An attempt has been made to secure the presence of Rev. Mr. Beach of Danville and if possible he will take the services in charge.

Winchester News Notes.

Mrs. J. W. Dace has for the past

few days been confined to her home by illness.

Mrs. Nathan Wallace went to Jacksonville today, to visit her daughter, employed at the Illinois School for the Deaf.

The Wednesday evening entertainment, given at the Lyric theater under direction of Mrs. David Hains, further for benefit of the town clock fund, proved quite successful and many were the compliments received on the high quality of the plays. There was a one act farce and then the two act comedy "Miss Dalton's Orchids." The nursery rhymes were very amusing and the sextette from "F-F-I" was given in able manner. The Winchester orchestra furnished good music through the program.

It requires good judgment to economize wisely. It's altogether too easy to buy men's Furnishing Goods that are merely low priced and then regret it. The men who patronize FRANK BYRNS Hat Store are always satisfied as to style, service and price. Ask your best friend, HE KNOWS.

WITH THE SICK.

Mrs. J. V. Sykes of Beardstown underwent an operation Wednesday at Passavant hospital.

Mrs. A. J. McCarty is confined by illness to her home on East College avenue.

Byron Carpenter is ill at his home on Hardin avenue.

Mrs. F. C. Noyes is ill of the measles at her home on Grove street.

George Day is confined to his home on West Lafayette avenue with an injured foot. He dropped a heavy metal piece while at work for the Illinois Steel Bridge Co., splintering a bone.

Miss Hattie White of Greenville slipped and fell Wednesday forenoon while alighting from a C. B. & Q. train, breaking her arm. She was taken to Our Savior's hospital for attention and returned to her home the same day.

Mrs. A. E. Smedley of Tallula, injured recently in an automobile accident, was able Wednesday to leave Passavant hospital for her home. She was accompanied by her husband, Dr. Smedley.

Oliver Irene Johnston, 10 year old daughter of Mrs. Pearl Johnston of White Hall, underwent an operation for appendicitis at Our Savior's hospital Wednesday. The child was brought to this city by Dr. E. J. Peake of White Hall.

Russell & Thompson's silverware.

OPEN EVENINGS
Our store will be open evenings the remainder of the week for Christmas shopping.
Harmon's Dry Goods Store.

WOMAN'S COLLEGE GIRLS SING CHRISTMAS CAROLS.

Students of Illinois Woman's college divided into eight groups Wednesday and spent the early evening hours singing carols of Christmas time, gladdening the heart of many a shut-in. On their return to the college the student went to the social room, where hot cocoa was served by Dr. and Mrs. Harker. The groups were led by the following: Misses Ruth Harker, Merlin Terhune, Pauline Kennedy, Venus Neff, Alice Pierson, Louis Carpenter, Eunice Leonard and Kitty Bunting.

The Christmas vacation will begin this afternoon and many students are planning to leave for their homes on the late afternoon and evening trains. The last chapel service of the year was held Wednesday forenoon. The next chapel service will be held Thursday, Jan. 4, and class work will begin at once thereafter.

CHILDREN'S BATH ROBE SETS

Indian design Bath Robe, Slippers and Blanket to match, sizes 2 to 6 years, \$1.98 THE SET. THE EMPORIUM.

MARRIED IN SPRINGFIELD.

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 20.—Fred A. Holle, age 26, living at 306 East Independence avenue, Jacksonville and Miss Olive E. Elbrecht, age 23, of 808 South Church street, were married in the court house this afternoon by Judge Jenkins.

BRIGGLE NOT A CANDIDATE.

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 20.—Charles Briggie, chairman of the Republican county committee, announced today that he will not be a candidate for the office of circuit judge since John M. Pfeiffer of this city has been endorsed by a large number of both Republican and Democrat attorneys.

MATRIMONIAL

Jackson-Wright.

The marriage of Robert Donald Jackson and Miss Minnie Etta Wright, both of Meredosia, was solemnized here Wednesday morning. The ceremony was performed by Rev. John W. Priest at his home, 610 Grove street, and was witnessed by Andrew Jackson, father of the groom and Miss Hettie Wright, sister of the bride.

The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Wright of Meredosia and has a large circle of friends in her home community. The groom is employed as a button cutter in one of the button factories at Meredosia, and he and his bride will make their home in that town.

Buchanan-Curtis.

Curtis Buchanan and Miss Dorothy Curtis of Pisgah were united in marriage Wednesday afternoon by Squire J. M. Coons at his office in this city. Misses Augusta Carlson and Ethel Paul, employees of the Central Union Telephone company, witnessed the ceremony. The young people will make their home on a farm near Pisgah.

LANE'S BOOK STORE.

Invites you to see their splendid line of juvenile and children's books.

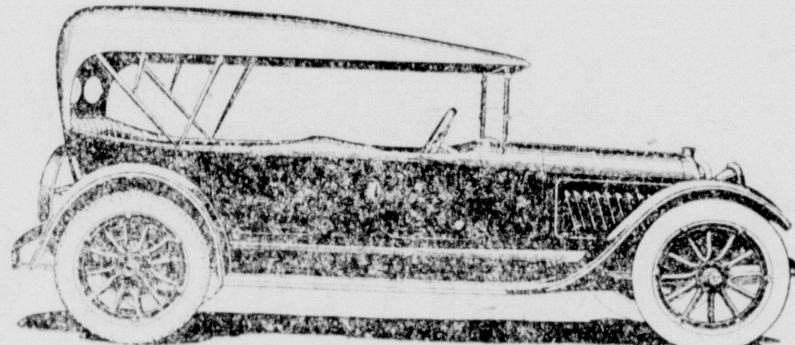
Miss Catherine Cain arrived Wednesday from Quincy, where she is a student of St. Mary's academy. She will spend the Christmas holidays at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Cain, south of the city.

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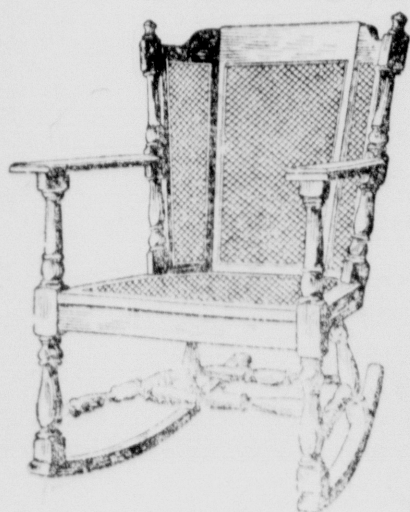
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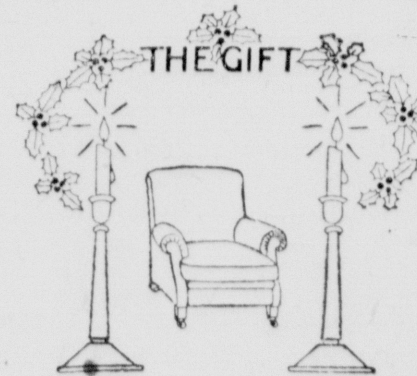
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Rocker, \$35.00
Lamp, \$10.00
Library Table solid mahogany \$30.00
Karpen Davenport in tapestry \$47.50



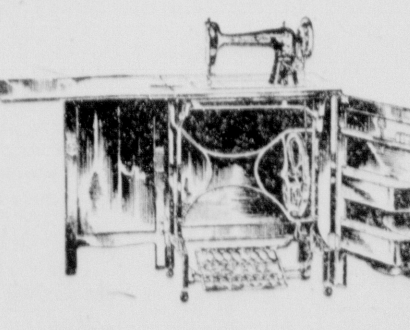
Solid mahogany wing Rocker, cane back and seat. "A never forgotten gift." \$16.50



Beautiful Chairs in leather or tapestry, as low as \$17.50



Gas, Oil and Electric, as above at \$7.50 to \$25.00 An all the year around gift.



Free Sewing Machine, a life time gift. We have them as low as \$45.00



Tables of every design and finish, moderately priced. An always remembered gift.

Oriental Rugs from the Sleyman Collection. A gift supreme.

ANDRE & ANDRE
The Store Where the Christmas Spirit Reigns

Hundreds of gifts of Sterling Quality are to be found here at a little less.

OLD JACKSONVILLE

AN EARLY AUTHOR

By Ensley Moore

(Member Illinois State Historical Society)

The West has scarcely yet entered into what it should in the matter of authorship. The East has had the field and has an advantage thereby. If that is true now, it was much more unusual for the West to have authors when most of its people were struggling to subdue nature and in getting their bread.

Jacksonville, as usual in its qualified work of doing good things for the state, had one of the first authors in this Western land.

He was John L. McConnell, eldest son of Gen. Murray McConnell. The young man early displayed a literary bent, among other things establishing a newspaper of ephemeral existence, but characterized by a spirited conduct. He was a soldier in Hardin's First Illinois in the Mexican War, coming back a captain. For some reason, however, in his later years, he was referred to as Colonel. Perhaps this was because he started to get up a regiment in 1857, when Brigham Young got at outs with the government of the United States.

Mr. McConnell was in ill health after the Mexican War, suffered from consumption, and died in January, 1862. But, after his return from the land of the Montezumas he wrote three books, "Western Sketches," "The Glens," and "Tulbot and Vernon." He also was a speaker and took considerable and prominent part in politics. In this respect he was a Democrat, as was his father before him.

It is not hard to see a resemblance in the beginning between McConnell and that other Westerner—from Indiana—Lew Wallace, who saw his first military service in Mexico, fought in the Civil War, and made his fame as an author. They were of about the same age.

The Knickerbocker Magazine. One of the first American magazines, and one of high character, was the "Knickerbocker," published as its name implied in New York. Louis Gaylord Clark was the editor. It was said of it, in 1854: "The Knickerbocker Magazine has been established for nearly a quarter of a century, and it is the oldest monthly of its class now or ever in America. It has been conducted with uniform ability and industry, and among its contributors have been a large proportion of our best contemporary writers."

Its list of contributors included such names as Irving, Holmes, Samuel Osgood, Donald G. Mitchell, Boker, Bryant, Bayard Taylor, Saxe, Epes Sargent, Fields, Geo. P. Morris, Tuckerman, Longfellow, Curtis, Prentice, S. S. Cox, Schoolcraft, Griswold, N. P. Willis, R. H. Stoddard, Wm. H. Seward, Fitz Greene Halleck and others of the day.

John L. McConnell was admitted into this galaxy of genius, and it was an honor not only to him but also to this place and to the West. Unfortunately, the Knickerbocker did not survive very long after the date above given.

Kaskaskia. Kaskaskia was not Jacksonville but it was our first state capital, as it had been the headquarters of its English and French masters, before the days of the American Republic.

The "Knickerbocker Gallery," an elegant volume of over five hundred pages, was issued in 1855, "A testimonial to the Editor of the Knickerbocker Magazine from its contributors." It was edited by John W. Francis, Morris, Griswold, Kimball and F. W. Shelton, "and they submit the result in confidence that a literary miscellany of its kind has rarely, if ever, been published of which the contents are more various or uniformly excellent."

The contributions varied from a short poem, or paper of a few pages to longer poems and articles of thirty to forty five pages. The book was illustrated with forty eight fine steel engravings of the writers; McConnell's being one.

McConnell's part was in "Marie Lefrette, a story of Kaskaskia," and there are some points in it suitable to be quoted as illustrating one phase of early Illinois times. He said in part, in introduction:

"Kaskaskia (properly written Cassaskia) founded, according to the best authorities about 1683 * * * is probably the oldest settlement on the waters of the Mississippi. For a long time the headquarters of the French in the Great Valley; successively a military post of some importance, and the capital of the growing state of Illinois, it possessed, for many years, the distinction of a frontier metropolis; but its site was chosen without regard to geography which ultimately develops its own foci; and every new farm opened in the country hastened the decay of its factitious prosperity. A few miles in any direction from the true focus are sufficient to seal the ob-

curity of the most promising town; and he who fortunately pitches his cabin on the converging point of lines of commerce may safely await the lapse of time, secure that his cornfields will eventually become city lots, and his modest dwelling give place to palaces of trade.

"In accordance with this geographical principle, as the country to the northward was settled and improved, Kaskaskia decreased in importance; and, as St. Louis began to emerge into the light, the shadow of her wings deepened the growing twilight around her elder sister. The removal of the seat of government, withdrew the only remaining element of prosperity, and, in 182—, the period of our story, the venerable old town was rapidly subsiding to her natural level of obscurity.

"On a bright June morning, in the year last mentioned, a woman of thirty five or six sat at the bow window of a house in the decrepid old town. Like the little capital, of which it formed a part, the tenement 'had seen better days;' for it was somewhat dilapidated now, and wore that thread bare aspect which distinguishes most men who have fallen into the same lamentable category. The gloom which attends decay, was, however, in some degree relieved by the cheerful notes of two or three song-birds that hung above the woman's head, and the fresh green vines which tenderly concealed the ravages of time. The occupant herself did not disturb the harmony of character which made the place so pleasing to the eye, for the scrupulous neatness of her dress was apparently designed to compensate for plainness of material; and though the touch of years had evidently been upon her figure, the memory of its youthful contour yet lingered in its well-preserved and flowing outline.

"The street upon which she looked was a struggling thoroughfare, that seemed to have been formed by a tumultuous and disorderly recession of the crowd of many gabled houses. As the whole town was quaint, dingy, irregular and crumbling, so the street was of no particular width, full of odd corners, crooked, interrupted, and not very well swept. But also, as the town was cheerful, vine-clad, redolent of flowers, and jubilant with the songs of unnumbered birds, so the street was vocal with the silvery voices of bright-eyed and half-naked children, who played merrily with whole packs of sleek and worthless but good natured curs, while fat and delighted grand-mères gazed smilingly from the open windows, on the gambols of their bare-legged posterity. Gay, light hearted groups passed to and fro along the crooked passages, and black-eyed girls in dishabille, flashed fittingly from house to house, or, singing sweetly as their charges, fed troops of gaily plumed canaries, or vied in liquidness of tone with that full-blooded Frenchman, the mocking-bird. The morning sun streamed down the openings, and gilding rusty porticos, and penetrating tangled vine clusters, sharply defined the peaked shadows, and poured in golden drench into open casements.

"All Kaskaskia seemed in a joyful mood that morning, save only the solitary occupant of that window, who contemplated, absently and sadly, the animated scene before her. The antic gambols of the French children called up no smiles to her patient face; she even slightly turned her head while merry groups were passing; and once or twice she rose from her seat and slowly crossed and re-crossed the room. At each turn she paused for a moment to listen at a door opposite to the window. No sound came forth, however, and at last she resumed her seat with an air of weariness which seemed to forbid her again leaving it."

These quotations are merely made to show what a different sort of town Kaskaskia was from our places of this day.

As must be known to our people, the great river took a turn as it often does, and the old town was almost entirely washed away. It was one of our most historic places, as has been said, for long years under French, Spanish and English rule; it saw George Rogers Clark take its defenses, and claim "the Illinois country" for Virginia and America; it saw the new territory supersede by the newer state, and it gave glad welcome with French and American enthusiasm to the gallant LaFayette, when he revisited the land he had helped to free.

As one stands on the bluff at Mendon station, just above Chester, Randolph county, and looks across the great, great river, it is hard to realize that the former capital of one of the greatest empires of all times—the Mississippi Valley—was there.

PASSAVANT HOSPITAL TAG DAY

Saturday Will be the Date and It is Nearly Here; Be Ready for It.

Saturday will be tag day for the benefit of the free bed fund of Passavant hospital and it is earnestly hoped that there will be a generous response to the appeal. We cannot tell when we may need a place for retreat in case of illness or disability.

Miss Margaret Ayers, daughter of Walter Ayers, is managing the affair and it is in good hands. If there are any who are willing to aid a good cause and may not be in the city that day may telephone Miss Ayers, either phone, at her father's residence and she will gladly send for whatever contribution may be offered.

FAR AWAY AUTOISTS

Dr. and Mrs. M. M. Sutton and Dr. L. O. Love all of Concordia, Kansas, arrived in the city in an Overland car. They were on their way east and left yesterday morning for Springfield. They were well prepared for cold weather and said they had encountered some rather rough roads and frigid atmosphere but were well wrapped up and in good spirits as they left. They were bound for Cleveland, Ohio.

Two ladies' Solitaire Diamond rings, Tiffany settings, BARGAINS. MALLORY BROS.

John Baumaister of the vicinity of Shiloh was added to the list of city arrivals yesterday.

CHRISTMAS



YOU will find in this store a wealth of resources in your problem of choosing gifts for a man's Christmas. Everything here is of highest quality, you don't need to wonder about it being good.

Neckwear 50c to \$2.50 in Xmas Boxes	Gloves 25c to \$5.00 in Xmas Boxes	Hosiery 25c to \$1.50 in Xmas Boxes	Belts 25c to \$5.00 in Xmas Boxes
Shirts 50c to \$6.00 in Xmas Boxes	Bath Robes \$5.00 to \$15.00 Elegant Gifts	Cuff Links, 25c to \$5.00, Beautifully Polished	Garters 25c to 50c in Xmas Boxes
Plain Hdkfs. 5c to 50c in Xmas Boxes	Initial Hdkfs. 10c to 50c in Xmas Boxes	Pajamas \$1.00 to \$5.00 in Xmas Boxes	Vest Chains and Fobs 50c to \$5.00
Manicure Sets \$2.00 to \$10.00	Sweaters all Kinds \$1.00 to \$10.00	House Coats, \$5.00 to \$10.00, Beautiful Patterns	Grips \$1.00 to \$20.00 Black and Tan
Suit Cases \$1.00 to \$10.00 A Good Gift	Caps 50c To \$5.00	Collar Boxes \$1.00 to \$5.00 Fine Assortment	All Colors \$1.00 Scarf and Cap

We guarantee satisfaction. We refund money either before or after Christmas on goods that are not exactly what you want.



HENDERSON SALE WELL ATTENDED

Frosty Weather Did not Interfere and Stock Brought Good Prices.

The sale of Fred Henderson at his farm near Litchberry Wednesday was well attended. All of the stock, farm machinery and grain brought good prices. Jed Cox was the auctioneer and Charles McDonald acted as clerk. Dinner was served by the Ladies' Aid of the Baptist church of Litchberry. The sale totaled \$2,000. Horses sold from \$60 to \$135. Cows from \$60 to \$85 and hogs brought good prices. Corn sold from 85c to 90c and oats brought 50 cents. Some of the purchasers and prices paid are given hereunder:

Horses and mules—William Petefish bought two horses for \$60 each and one for \$85. Ray Maul paid \$135 for a mare and Ramey Logue bought a suckling mule colt for \$47.50.

Cattle—William Petefish, cow for \$85. Clarence Thompson a cow for \$60. William Young bought a bunch of two year old heifers at prices ranging from \$35 to \$46.

All of the hogs were purchased by William Petefish except a sow and pigs which were bought by Clarence Thompson for \$37.50.

ORANGES — Extra fine, sweet and juicy at Weber's Grocery.

WOODSON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH CHRISTMAS EXERCISES Saturday evening exercises for the children followed by speaking "The Christ Child and Oriental Customs" followed by Christmas tree. Sunday morning at 10:30 there will be a sermon by the pastor. Sunday night there will be a lecture on Christmas customs, great and curious in all countries.

Joseph Latham, Pastor.

Make your selections for Christmas at once. Graham Hdwe. Co.

Miss Elizabeth Whitmer and Miss Margaret Day returned Wednesday from a visit in Winchester.

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The Lure of California and the Favored Way

California—the land of bluest skies and sun-kissed waters, California—the land of flowers, where summer seems eternal, California—the coastal gem of the Pacific—awaits you with open arms. Reach her via the

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Daily from St. Louis and Kansas City to Los Angeles—no extra fare.

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Insulting the Housewife's Intelligence

Most Eminent Scientists

Just stop and think how ridiculous it is for anyone to make a statement or claim that the so-called Alum Baking Powders are in any way injurious to health. The highest authorities and most eminent scientists in the world have after careful experiments of all kinds decided that the so-called alum baking powders are just as wholesome as any other baking powders.

The Department of Agriculture

The Department of Agriculture, which is the Pure Food Department of the United States, have made careful investigations and experiments, and find no reason to even question their sale. They, too, came to the conclusion that such powders are just as wholesome as other baking powders.

Sold In Every State

So-called alum baking powders are sold in every State in the Union. If they were not pure and wholesome, certainly the food commissioners would not permit their sale. The Food Commissioner of each State is not permitting to be sold anything that is unwholesome. So-called alum baking powders have been brought to their attention for years, with the same results—they are pure and wholesome.

Important Everyone Should Know

There are some so-called alum powders in which the acid phosphate is replaced by enough soda alum—not the drug store alum—to insure perfect keeping qualities and to properly regulate the speed action. If there is any doubt in your mind as to the wholesomeness of baking powder containing alum, ask your doctor. He will tell you that the latest, most complete investigations have proven that no baking powder is more wholesome than so-called alum baking powders.

Divert the Public Mind from the Fact

The only ones who have attempted to discredit the so-called alum baking powders, or to claim that they are unwholesome, are those baking powder companies who do not use alum. No food official—no doctor—no housewife has ever objected to its use. Only those companies who wish to get an exorbitant price for their goods or who wish to conceal the fact that their goods are unsatisfactory because of poor keeping qualities are striving to intimidate the public with a ridiculous no-alum outcry.

Don't Be Misled

Don't be influenced by premiums! Premiums cannot add to the quality of any product—they can only detract from the quality.

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Choicest Fruits, Nuts and Vegetables.

Poultry and Meats of best quality and lowest prices.

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—MEREDOSIA—

About noon Saturday it was discovered that some material was on fire in the ware room of Hunter, Allen company's lumber and hardware building. An alarm soon brought assistance enough to put it out but had the discovery been a little later it might have destroyed much as the wind was strong at that time. It is supposed the fire started from a spark from a rubbish fire in the alley east of the building as the door of the ware room leading into the alley was open.

Miss Bertha Christianer has arrived home from an extended visit with relatives in Ohio.

Tom Williams, pilot on the steamers Bald Eagle and Peoria, has returned home for the winter, the boats having gone into winter quarters.

Gus Nortrup, son of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Nortrup living about six miles east of here, was taken to a hospital in Jacksonville Sunday and was operated on for appendicitis.

Miss Pearl Larison of Jacksonville spent Sunday here with Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Weghoff.

R. H. Duer of Springfield was a visitor here Saturday.

The quarantine for scarlet fever was lifted from the homes of Lafe Moss and Eli Harshman Saturday.

The river opposite the ferry landing is blocked with ice.

Harold Rice of Clayton visited home folks Sunday.

T. W. Burdick was a business visitor in Jacksonville Monday.

Mrs. Charles Thomason went to Jacksonville Monday for a visit with her daughters, Mesdames Glenn and Post.

Mrs. Eliza Perry and son of near Avenville visited Monday with her mother, Mrs. Mary Brockhouse.

Dr. F. C. Yeck returned Monday from a business trip to Chicago.

Mrs. Owen Wingham returned to Springfield Monday after a visit with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wingham.

H. E. Harris was a business visitor in Jacksonville Monday.

Visit Schram's jewelry store.

TALBOT ARROW COLLARS

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COUGHING — CROUP BRONCHITIS

Don't Miss this. Cut out this slip, enclose with 5c and mail it to Foley & Co., 2843 Sheffield Ave., Chicago, Ill., writing your name and address clearly. You will receive in return a trial package containing Foley's Honey and Tar Compound, for bronchial and la grippe coughs, colds and croup; Foley Kidney Pills, for lame back, weak kidneys, rheumatism, bladder troubles, and Foley Cathartic Tablets, a wholesome and thoroughly cleansing cathartic for constipation, biliousness, headache and sluggish bowels. You can try these three excellent remedies for only 5c. City Drug Store, J. A. Obermeyer.—Adv.

ONE DOSE RELIEVES A COLD—NO QUININE

"Fape's Cold Compound" Ends Bad Colds or Grippe in a Few Hours

Relief comes instantly. A dose taken every two hours until three doses are taken will end gripe misery and break up a severe cold either in the head, chest, body or limbs.

It promptly opens clogged-up nostrils and air passages in the head, stops nasty discharge or nose running, relieves sick headache, dullness, feverishness, sore throat, sneezing, soreness and stiffness.

Don't stay stuffed-up! Quit blowing and snuffling! Ease your throbbing head! Nothing else in the world gives such prompt relief as "Fape's Cold Compound," which costs only 25 cents at any drug store. It acts without assistance, tastes nice, causes no inconvenience. Be sure you get the genuine.—Adv.

With the Fingers! Says Corns Lift Out Without Any Pain

Sore corns, hard corns, soft corns or any kind of a corn can shortly be lifted right out with the fingers if you will apply directly upon the corn a few drops of freezone, says a Cincinnati authority.

It is claimed that at small cost one can get a quarter of an ounce of freezone, at any drug store, which is sufficient to rid one's feet of every corn or callus without pain or soreness or the danger of infection.

This new drug is an ether compound, and while sticky, dries the moment it is applied and does not inflame or even irritate the surrounding tissue.

This announcement will interest many women here, for it is said that the present high-heel foot-wear is putting corns on practically every woman's feet.—Adv.

ASBURY

Miss Bertha Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. George Beekman of Pisgah, C. E. Reynolds and son Truman of Woodson, George McKean, William Craig, W. E. Barrows and sons Richard and Paul, William Morris and son Albert, Carl and Edwin Hemmings and Mrs. Ed Craig with fifteen members attended the Asbury Ladies' Aid dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Trotter last Thursday.

William Megginson and sister, Mrs. Charles Bealmear, Mr. and Mrs. George McKean and Mr. and Mrs. George Megginson attended the Masons' banquet in Woodson Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Otha Lynch and Mr. returned home Wednesday from a business visit in St. Louis.

Harry Trotter and Paul Barrows and Mrs. Carl Hemmings spent Saturday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Ed Craig.

Mrs. A. E. Hemmings and daughter Edith left Saturday for their home, near Bronson, Kan.

Cigar Makers Ball this evening at Degen's Hall. Admission 75 cents. Ladies free.

DAY IN CONGRESS

Senate

Senator Newlands urged compromise flood control bill before commerce committee.

Resumed consideration of District of Columbia prohibition bill.

Passed \$4,500,000 urgent deficiency bill including provisions for relief of National Guardsmen's families and for continuing operation of mines.

Adopted resolution to permit increased water diversion for power purposes at Niagara Falls.

Set January 9th for vote on District of Columbia Prohibition bill.

Adjourned at 4:45 P. M., to noon Thursday.

House

Considered urgent deficiency appropriation bill.

Rear-Admirals Strauss and Griffin testified before naval affairs committee.

General Crozier appeared before military affairs committee.

Passed \$4,500,000 urgent deficiency bill.

Voted to hold memorial services for the late Representative Moss of West Virginia on January 28.

Adjourned at 4:55 P. M., to noon Thursday.

Skates, Sleds, Kiddy Cars, Velocipedes and a score of other good gifts for everybody. Graham Hdw. Co.

BIG LOAN SOUGHT TO HELP JEWS

New York, Dec. 20.—Details of a plan to provide a gigantic loan, described as one of the largest in the history of the world, "without interest," to place the Jews of Europe definitely beyond reach of suffering after the war, are to be revealed at a mass meeting to be held in Carnegie Hall tomorrow night. The proposed loan is to be distinct from the fund of \$10,000,000 now being raised for immediate succor of starving Jews in Europe.

Louis Marshall will preside at the Carnegie Hall meeting, which will be addressed by Dr. Judah L. Nagnies, who returned recently from European war zones, where he worked on behalf of Jewish relief. Among the other prominent Jews actively interested in the movement are Dr. Cyrus Adler, Jacob H. Schiff, Oscar S. Straus, Nathan Straus, Felix M. Warburg, and Representative Meyer London.

WE SHALL KEEP OPEN.
Our shoe store will be kept open every evening this week.
Hopper & Son.

BISHOP FOLEY'S JUBILEE.

Detroit, Mich., Dec. 20.—The sixtieth anniversary of Bishop S. Foley as a priest was celebrated in the cathedral here today with pontifical high mass. In addition a public reception was held, at which testimonials were presented by the priesthood, the laity and others. A congratulatory message with the papal blessing, came from Pope Benedict to the bishop, his clergy and people.

Bishop Foley was born in Baltimore eighty-three years ago last month. His education was begun in St. Mary's college, in his native city, in charge of the Sulpician fathers. He was only 16 years old when he graduated from the college with the degree of bachelor of arts. In three more he was prepared for the minor orders, which were administered by Archbishop Kenrick.

He was too young for priestly ordination, so Archbishop Kenrick sent him to Rome for further studies. Two years later, in the Church of St. John Lateran, he was ordained to the priesthood. After his return to this country he became rector of a church in Baltimore and remained in that city until his selection as bishop of Detroit in 1888.

You will find a fine line of country dressed poultry for Christmas at Taylor's Grocery.

TO PROMOTE FRIENDLY RELATIONS

Washington, D. C., Dec. 20.—The Southern Society of Washington, which in late years has attained a foremost place among the social organizations of the national capital, has arranged an ambitious program for the present social season with the announced purpose of promoting friendly relations between the people of all sections of this country and with other countries of the western hemisphere. The first in the series of entertainments will be a reception and ball to be given tomorrow night at the Pan-American building in honor of the diplomatic representatives of the South and Central American republics. The President and Mrs. Wilson are among those who have accepted invitations to attend the ball.

FROM THE EDUCATOR'S NOTEBOOK

Dr. John Baloom Shaw, who was recently inaugurated president of the Elmira (N. Y.) College for Women, has been a Presbyterian clergyman of prominence for some years, with important pastorates in New York city, Chicago and Los Angeles. He was born on Long Island, N. Y., and educated at Lafayette College. He studied theology at the Union Theological Seminary, New York, and was ordained to the ministry in 1888. He was called to the presidency of Elmira College in 1915. Dr. Shaw has written several books of a spiritual nature, and has been a frequent contributor to religious magazines and journals.

The annual convocation at the University of Chicago yesterday was made particularly interesting by the presence of Dr. V. K. Wellington Koo, Chinese minister to the United States, as convocation orator. Dr. Koo's address was on "China and the United States." The presence of the young diplomat, who is barely thirty years of age, in an American university for such an event is of particular interest because he was educated in the United States. He won his doctorate degree at Columbia, New York city, where he was a favorite pupil of the professors in the departments of political science and government. He also was popular with the student body, and generally admired for his intellectual attainments and brilliant powers as a speaker. He is one of the ablest and most thoroughly educated in western knowledge and ideals of all the younger leaders of his nation, and his appointment to the Washington post was welcomed in both the United States and China, as that of the man most able to serve both countries well in the course of any negotiations that might arise involving the policy of the United States in the far east.

A few weeks ago one of the big New York department stores conceived the idea of employing undergraduates in local colleges to do physical labor a few hours a day in certain departments, thereby expediting the work and helping the men employed in their plucky fight for an education. Several men from the College of the City of New York were at first employed filling orders in the grocery department from four to eight p. m., the wage being \$7 per week and the hours permitting plenty of time for evening study. The experiment has been so successful that the plan has been extended to other departments, college men now being used in the auditing department under a similar arrangement. Men from Manhattan College and Columbia are now numbered among the workers.

Plans have been perfected for a national conference to discuss the subject of highway engineering instruction in the civil engineering curricula of American universities and colleges. This will be held Dec. 29 at New York under the joint auspices of the Society for the Promotion of Engineering Education, the American Association for the Advancement of Science, the National Highway Association, the National Automobile Chamber of Commerce, and the Automobile Club of America. Organization of the meeting is due to the ideas and efforts of Prof. Arthur H. Blanchard of the department of highway engineering of Columbia University, and is a public recognition of the growing need of more technically trained men in road construction, to which the attention of educational institutions throughout the United States has been called by the phenomenal development of motor travel in the country.

The highest honor which the faculty of the University of California can bestow on one of their own number, appointment as faculty research lecturer, has been bestowed by the academic senate on Dr. Herbert E. Bolton, professor of American history in the university. The appointment in recognition of the fact that Professor Bolton's discoveries of vast stores of unknown historical treasures in the archives of Church and State in Mexico, have made necessary the rewriting of the whole history of the activities of Spain in North America. In the past histories of the United States have been somewhat neglectful of the story of Spanish influence, and have told only the story of the advance of English speaking America from east to west. Now Dr. Bolton and scholars of the same school are publishing many volumes yearly revealing the great drama of Spain in the New World, and so distinct and so striking is this new movement in American history that allusion is frequently made in scientific and historical journals to Prof. Bolton's "School" of historians. The brilliant discoveries made by Prof. Bolton who was educated at the University of Wisconsin and took his Ph. D. degree at the University of Pennsylvania, began some fifteen years ago when he became professor of history in the University of Texas. He has done work as official investigator in Texan and Mexican history for the United States Bureau of Ethnology and for the Carnegie Institution.

The last shipment fancy boxes in today. Better get yours now and get the pick of them.

MULLENIX & HAMILTON.

BROWN MOTOR CO. IS INCORPORATED

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 20.—Special Application for incorporation under the laws of the state of Illinois was made today by the Brown Motors company, of Moline, to operate a manufacturing plant. The company was incorporated for \$20,000. The incorporators were Walter F. Brown, James M. Johnston, Louis B. Slauson, Henry W. Hutten, G. E. Boston, and Paul A. Briggs.

Christmas Specials

MUFFS \$3.95 Ladies' Muffs \$1.49	KIMONOS \$2.00 Flannel Kimonos 98c	PLUSH COATS \$35.00 Seal Plush Coats \$22.98
CHILDREN'S COATS \$3.50 Children's Quilted Lined Coats \$1.98	CHILDREN'S MUFFS \$1.50 Children's Plush Muffs 59c	DRESSES \$17.50 Wool Poplin Pleated Dresses \$10.98
MILLINERY Any Untrimmed Hat in the house 98c	SILK KIMONOS \$6.50 Silk Crepe De Chene Kimonos \$3.48	SUITS \$42.50 Broadcloth Suits \$15.00
HOUSE DRESSES \$1.50 Gingham House Dresses 59c	SKIRTS \$6.50 Wool Poplin Gabardine and Serge Skirts \$2.98	BATH ROBES \$5.00 Bath Robes, all styles \$3.48
MILLINERY Any Trimmed Hat in the house \$1.98	WAISTS \$3.50 Crepe De Chene Waists, all sizes and colors \$1.98	VELOUR COATS \$22.50 Wool Velour Coats satin lined \$14.98
TAFFETA PETTICOATS \$5.00 Taffeta Petticoats \$2.98	FURS \$15.00 Black Fox Muffs \$7.98	FURS \$12.00 Red Fox Scarfs \$6.98

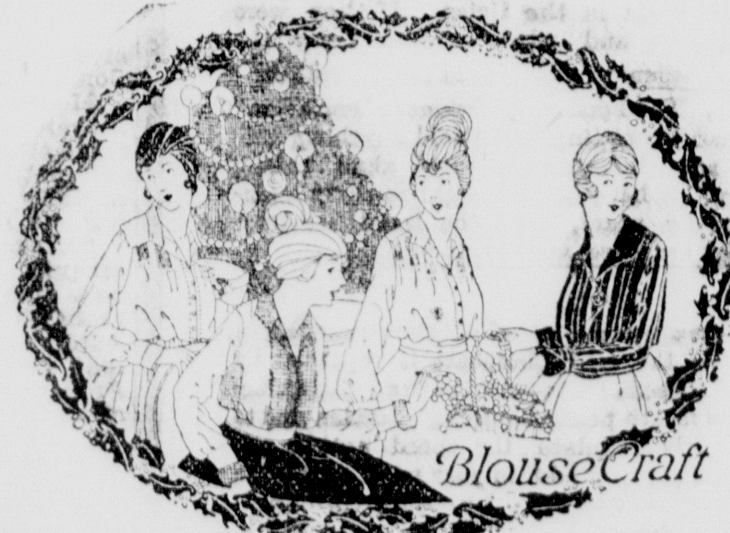
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Not only are these fine Knitted Sweaters comfortable but they all carry an individual air of style and in such rich colorings. Splendid line to choose from at \$3.50 to \$7.50. Also for the children at\$1.25

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Each year we plan at this time of the season to have pretty Silk Blouses, specially for holiday selling. Many beautiful waists are found here for your selection . . . at \$1, \$2, \$3.95, \$5.00 to \$10.00

SILK HOSIERY

Women's black Silk Hose with narrow colored stripes, cotton or silk tops, at per pair\$1.00, \$1.25 and \$1.50 Women's colored Silk Hose—we are showing very extensive range of colored Silk Hose, all the new fall shades at per pair75c and \$1.00 and \$1.25

January Price Now On Coats and Suits 30 Days Ahead of Time.

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The Xmas Store

GOOD MEALS CAN BE PROVIDED AT LOW COST

Menus Are Suggested Which Cost About Five Cents Per Person

Another day's menus taken from the "Five Cent Meals" pamphlet, which can be found at the public library, are given below. Naturally the eatables suggested are very plain, but they are also of a very nourishing kind. Even the market changes make these dishes cost something above the estimate, still the suggestions are worth while and, if followed, will readily aid in cutting down meal costs for the average family.

BREAKFAST

Graham Mush with Top Milk
Fried Bacon Strip, Toast
Coffee for Adults
Milk for Children

Graham Mush—Mix 1½ cups of graham flour with 1 cup of cold water to prevent it from lumping, then pour this mixture into four cups boiling water to which has been added 2 teaspoons salt, stirring all the while. Boil 5 minutes, set in a larger pan of boiling water and continue cooking one half to one hour; or leave closely covered over

night on the back of the stove, or in a fireless cooker.

Fried Bacon Strip—Cut thin slices of bacon from the strip. Remove skin and rind, lay the slices in a cold frying pan, cook until crisp and brown, turning as necessary.

Bacon strips are the odd-shaped pieces of bacon cut from the side in the process of trimming. It sells at a very reasonable price per pound in pieces of from 4 to 8 pounds.

LUNCH OR SUPPER

Bean Polenta
Bread with Olive
Hot Stewed Dried Apples
Tea for Adults
Cinnamon Tea for Children

Bean Polenta—4 cups of white beans (cooked), 1½ tablespoons molasses, 2 teaspoons vinegar, ¼ teaspoon mustard, ¼ teaspoon pepper, 1 cup water from cold boiled beans, mash them fine, and mix with the other ingredients. Form the mixture into cakes and brown on both sides in hot greased pan.

Cinnamon Tea—2 cups scalded milk, 2 cups boiling water, 3 teaspoons sugar, ¼ teaspoon cinnamon. Add the boiling water to the scalded milk and sugar just before serving. Sprinkle cinnamon over the top.

DINNER

Stew with Vegetables
Bread
Suet Pudding

Stew with Vegetables—1½ to 2 pounds stew meat, 2 carrots, 2 turnips, 4 to 6 potatoes, 1 onion, 2 sprigs parsley, 1 tablespoon salt, ¼ teaspoon pepper. Neck or breast of lamb or veal or inexpensive cuts of beef may be used. Have the butcher cut the pieces of meat rather small. Put them into the kettle in which the stew is to be cooked and place over a hot fire, stirring occasionally until the outside is well browned. Cover with hot water and cook slowly, without boiling, until the meat is tender. Add the vegetables pared and cut into small pieces during the last half hour of cooking. Thicken the gravy with two tablespoons of flour, mixed with a little cold water, just before serving.

Suet Pudding—1 cup flour, 2 cups bread crumbs, 1 cup finely chopped suet, 1 cup sugar, 3 teaspoons baking powder, ¼ cup salt, grating of nutmeg, 1 cup milk or water. Mix the suet well with the flour, add other ingredients, and make into a smooth batter. The pudding may be either steamed or boiled, or baked. For steaming put into a buttered pan, or baking dish, cover with paper or a tin lid, and set in a larger kettle of boiling water. Cook about an hour.

For boiling, tie the dough up in a floured cloth and boil from 2½ to 3 hours. It may be baked in the same way as cake. Serve with any of the pudding sauces, or as cake without sauce.

One or more eggs may be added to enrich the pudding, or a cup of raisins, chopped figs, dates or nuts may be added to give variety.

Get one of our 5 lb. family packages fine chocolates before they are all gone.

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INDEPENDENCE SCHOOL PROGRAM

A Christmas program was given at Independence School yesterday. The numbers follow:

Welcome—Edwin Gruber.
Song, Merry Xmas—School.
A Xmas Carol—Alma Hutson.
The Trees—Bessie Black.
Duet, "Jolly Santa Claus,"—Iva Bartlett and Helen Brisenidine.
Xmas in Norway—Frank Mallory.
God's Son—Josephine Leahy.
A Xmas Secret—Lester Hungeate.
Victrola Selection—"Stille Nacht"
A Birdie's Want—Elizabeth Fernandes.
Xmas Time—Alene Wood, Grace Sutton.
Song, "Shine Out O Blessed Star"—School.
A Christmas Vigil—LeRoy Ashbey.

A Xmas Garden—Edgar Roberts.
Victrola Selection—"Humoresque."
Dialogue, Merry Xmas—Mabel Sluder, Lillie Ficigari, Helen Williams, George Williams, Gladys Jensen, Frank Mallory, Kenneth Sperry, Iva Bartlett, Elizabeth Fernandes, LeRoy Ashbey, Elbridge Tiff, Martin Luther Mackey, Josephine Leahy, Lester Hungeate.
Message of the Christ Child—Gladys Johnson and Eddie Johnson.
Santa Claus—Elbridge Tiff, Kenneth Sperry, M. L. Mackey, Iva Bartlett and Helen Brisenidine.

Just received at Brown's Music Store a shipment of violin cases and music bags. They have been greatly delayed and are offered at specially low prices.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

Claude C. Hall to George L. Taylor, pt. southwest quarter 16-16-S, \$350.

Fred Workman to D. F. Yeck, lots 1 and 8 Waldo's subdivision of lot 1, block 9, Aylesworth & Cobb's addition to Meredosa, \$1.

Mary Jones to J. D. Yeager, pt. west half southeast quarter 22-14-9, \$1,100.

Elizabeth Curtis to W. J. Moore, lot 14 Cox's re-subdivision Jacksonville, \$1.

John M. Butler, master in chancery, to J. R. Collins, pt. east half lot 1, block 21 city addition to Jacksonville, \$1,100.

John M. Butler, master in chancery, to J. Van Os, lots 21 and 22 Stuart's addition to Jacksonville, \$1,050.20.

John M. Butler, master in chancery, to A. C. Moffet, pt. lot 41 Salter's first addition to Waverly, \$224.01.

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LIVINGSTON COUNTY CROP ASS'N WORK REVIEWED

Farm Adviser Tells the Purpose of Activities and Gives Interesting Figures—Larger Crops Have Resulted From the Use of Lime and Phosphate—Co-Operative Plans

Roy C. Bishop, farm adviser of Livingston county recently made his annual report to the farmers of that county who belong to the crop improvement association. No better argument for the value of such co-operative efforts could be furnished than are contained in this report. Farming problems in Livingston county are practically identical with those in this county and some extracts from Mr. Bishop's report are printed because of the information contained and with the further view of giving new emphasis to the general helpfulness of the farm adviser movement.

Field Studies and Demonstrations
The original purpose of this Association has been to study the soil and to determine the most satisfactory methods for its efficient management; also to study crops—their adaptability, requirements, best cultural methods, etc. Our work has been zealously devoted to this purpose and has borne fruit in establishing tested soil and crop management methods on hundreds of farms. An opportunity has been given not only to every member in the Association, but to every farmer in the county, to "know" their soils, the requirements of these soils, etc.; also to "know" the common corn belt crops, their requirements and management.

Soils and Soil Management
While we possess what is generally recognized as some of the most fertile agricultural soils in the United States, four years of field study have demonstrated to many that the greatest problem, beyond a doubt, before the Livingston County farmer is that of improving and maintaining this fertility. We have established the fact that nitrogen, organic matter, phosphorus, and livestock are the chief articles which must be used in improving and maintaining our soil.

Nitrogen and Organic Matter
In order to build up and maintain the nitrogen supply of our soil, it has been determined that legume crops—chiefly the clovers—can be grown to supply this requirement most economically; they may be grown so as to make a substantial net profit at the same time. Of the clovers, we have found that Mammoth and Sweet the best for this purpose.

In the spring of 1916, members of the Association sowed 2,850 acres of Mammoth on 70 farms; 3,000 acres of Sweet Clover on 250 farms and 15,000 acres of Red Clover on 400 farms. All of this was sown primarily for soil improvement. This does not take into account the clover sown by non-members, except in case of Sweet Clover. We sowed, also, 200 acres of Soy beans, 200 acres of Alfalfa, 140 acres of Alsike on 10 farms, and 2,000 acres of Rape on 110 farms. Judging from the demand for seed, acreage in these crops will be multiplied a number of times this next spring.

Supplying Phosphorus
Nearly 17,000 acres have now been treated in this county with a liberal application of rock phosphate. This year 2,225 tons have already been purchased by Association members, alone, and much more would have been used had not the car shortage interfered; orders for 248 tons, not included in the above total, were cancelled. This material has been purchased by the Association, co-operatively, at a saving of 38c per ton, or \$883.50.

These yields are not high; they are averages. Neither do they represent all the reports from our 500 farms. The completed report will be available in about two weeks. When our data is complete, our books, giving yields on each farm, as well as indicating the very field from which record was obtained, with the history of field, and area, will be open for personal by members—and others by special permission.

Reports on untreated fields, from all parts of the County, show an average corn yield of 29.4 bushels per acre, and an average yield of oats of 44.2 bushels per acre. Thus our survey shows an increase of 11.1 bushels of oats, with a value of \$5.55, and an increase of 7.3 bushels of corn, with a value of \$6.10 (per acre), as a result from the use of phosphate.

In practically every case where phosphate was used, the clover stand is good, but where no phosphate was used, in many cases the new clover crop is a failure or very poor.

Not only should this be noted, but attention should also be given the fact that of the great quantity of phosphorus we have used, less than 20 per cent of it has been removed from the soil by crop or other agencies; thus these soils are substantially more productive and valuable as a result of the phosphate applied.

Limestone
Over 3,050 tons of Agricultural Limestone have been purchased this year by Association members, thru the Association, at a saving of about \$975.00. Approximately 15,000 acres in the County have been treated with limestone, at the rate of 2 to 4 tons per acre. For alfalfa, and in cases for Sweet Clover, the use of limestone is strongly recommended, in quantities of not less than 3 tons per acre. On most soils, however, it has been found that one ton of phosphate gives the best results for Red, Mammoth, and Alsike clovers; also for grain crops. Therefore rock phosphate is being recommended in preference to limestone in these cases, if it is not desired to use both these materials.

Results from limestone are in very few cases as pronounced as results from phosphate. However, it has made a satisfactory showing in the production of Red and Mammoth clovers, and a good showing in the production of Sweet clover.

Work With Oats

Work on this crop has been chiefly confined to tests of varieties—for adaptability and distribution of been centered chiefly on Kherson 103 and 105 varieties and the Great American and Big Four. The average yield of Kherson 103 in oats was 53 bushels per acre, while the general average of varieties like the Big Four and Silvermine, without treatment, was 44.5 bushels per acre. Tests of this variety were made in all parts of the county. Kherson 103 is an early oat that stands well and makes a good yield. It is recommended to sow 1-4 to 1-3 of the oat land to this variety, where a large area is sown, so as to have oats ripen at different dates and thus facilitate harvesting. Kherson 105 is suited to rich soils. Great American and Big Four appear to be the best yielding large variety.

No smut campaign was conducted this year, but 8,000 circulars, on treating for smut were distributed, and about 200,000 acres were treated, or practically all the oats in the county. If this saving by treating for smut was at the same rate in this county this year as it was last, our saving has been 5.6 bushels per acre, or about 1,200,000 bushels, with a value of \$560,000. We think our oat smut campaign is completed.

Wheat Production

Where wheat land is found, we have strongly recommended seeding of wheat in the corn, and following the clovers, as a means to supplant the less prolific oats crop and to avoid injury to corn from plowing down large crops of clover. Not much wheat is yet sown but where it is sown properly the profit is in line with profit from corn.

The Clovers

Legumes, and especially clovers, are indispensable in soil and crop management. That this is now recognized in the Association is shown by the fact that practically every member sowed all his small grain to some kind of clover last spring. In order of number of acres, the clovers stood as follows—Red, Sweet, Mammoth, and Alsike.

Sweet clover has demonstrated, beyond a question, its great value and ability to exceed all other clovers, when properly managed, in production of organic matter, seed, ensilage, hay and pasture, and also for soil improvement. It has shown, however, some erratic performances in resistance to clipping, keeping in cocks, and in seed production. Our best seed crop made 4 bushels to the

acre. Many fields produced no seed, due, it is thought, to the dry hot weather and the early frost. As a catch crop, Sweet clover, we find can be managed satisfactorily, and in this capacity it will add more fertility to the soil than any other crop.

(To be Continued)

J. J. Lukeman of Franklin was in the city yesterday on his way home from St. Louis where he had been with two loads of cattle which brought him good prices.

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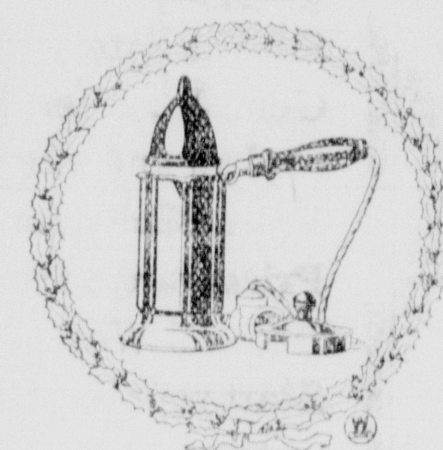
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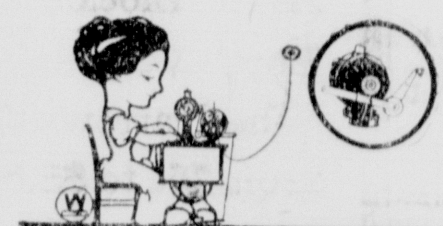
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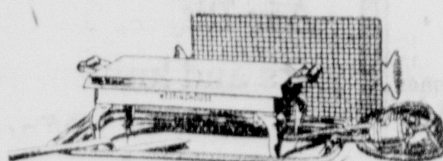
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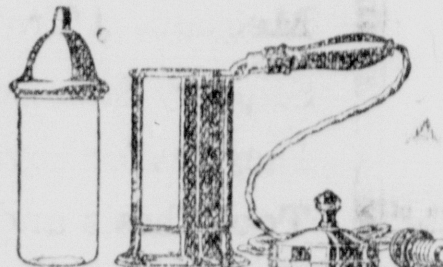
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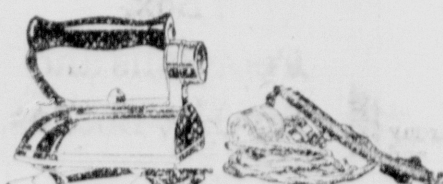
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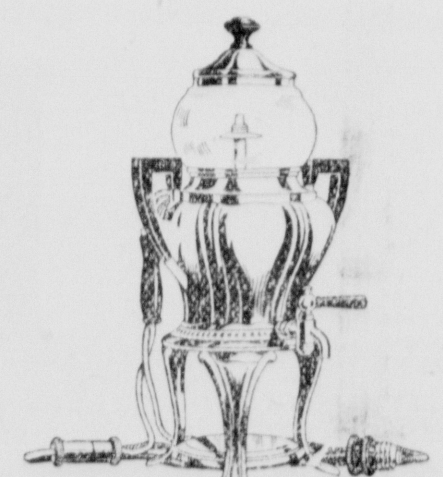
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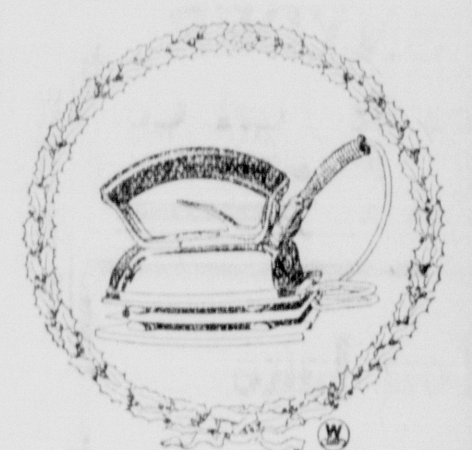
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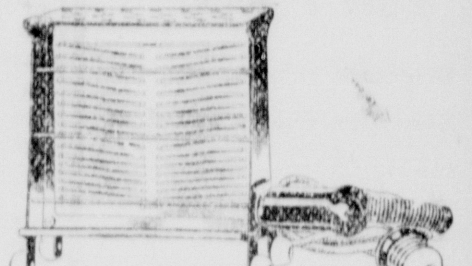
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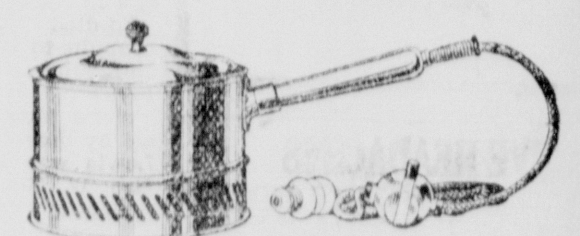
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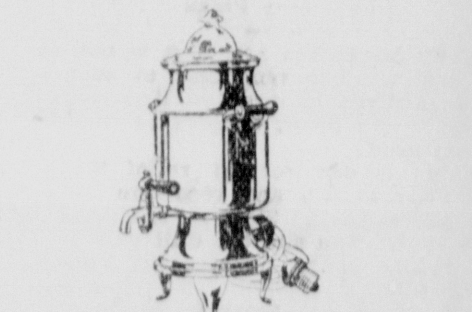
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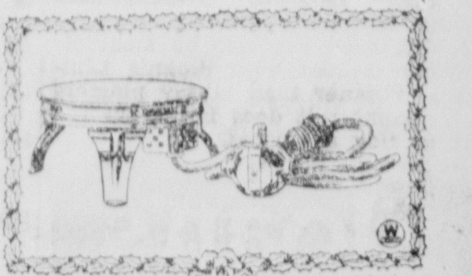
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CHILDREN OF CITY SELL MANY SEALS

Pupils of Schools Raise Total of \$266.11 for Anti-Tuberculosis and Red Cross Work—First Ward Wins Two Pictures—Other Good Records.

The first ward school won the prize for selling the most Red Cross Christmas seals among grade schools of the city. A phenomenal sale took place at the David Prince school, where 19,383 of the seals were sold. Mrs. E. P. Cleary, who had the direction of the seal sale, and other representatives of the Anti-Tuberculosis League and the Parent-Teacher associations, visited the schools throughout the day Wednesday and awarded the various prizes, pictures to the rooms winning the grade competitions and individual awards of shields and buttons.

Dr. Post on Christmas.
The David Prince school presentation was made in connection with a Christmas program. An address on the significance of Christmas was made by Dr. R. O. Post, pastor of the Congregational church. Dr. Post called attention of giving one's self, if the true spirit of Christmas is to be realized. We get out of life according to the measure of what we put into life, he said. "God so loved the world that he gave—Christ gave himself—we all must give. We must look to our own growth and development, that the gift may be worth while. We must be big of brain, personality and spirit and then our giving will be of real value to the world."

Before announcing the winners of the prizes Mrs. Cleary spoke of the results for good which will follow

such work for a good cause. All who have taken part in the sale of the seals, said she, have a better conception of the meaning of giving and have learned the joys of working for others. Miss Laura White, the principal, made a talk and after the prizes were announced, several musical numbers were given.

The pictures awarded to the grades making the best sales (per capita) were won as follows:

Third grade, Lafayette school: The Sense of Hearing—Jessie Wilcox Smith.

Fourth grade, Jefferson school: The Age of Innocence—Reynolds.

Fifth grade, Jefferson school: Laughing Cavalier—Hals.

At Jefferson School.
The announcement of results of the sale were made at most of the schools at the time of the programs. In the Jefferson school the grades on the lower floor assembled in Miss English's room and the upper grades gathered in the assembly hall. Addresses were made by Miss Clara C. Cobb, the principal, Mrs. Cleary and S. W. Nichols.

The total proceeds from the sale among school children of the city was \$266.11. By wards the sale was:

First Ward, \$42.76; Second Ward, \$24.03; Third Ward, \$16.09; Fourth Ward, \$35.36; Morton school, \$6.09; Open Air school, \$4.32; High school, \$33.81.

David Prince—Seventh grade, \$76.79; Eighth grade, \$27.04.

Better High School Record.
In the high school the sale was conducted on a percentage basis, the anti-tuberculosis league agreeing to pay ten per cent of the proceeds to the Kappa Gamma and Zetegathian societies and the German club, by whom the sale was managed. In all 3,381 seals were sold, as against 865 last year. Of these Kappa Gamma sold 1,210, the German club 1,146 and Zetegathian, 1,025. Most of these were bought by the students themselves, the grade schools having had a start in canvassing the city.

Pupils who received gold shields: Francis Kaule, Edgar Heintich, George Adams, Mary Janet Capps, Sarah Russell and Andrew Russell, Jr.

Sale by Grades.
Below is given the record of sales in the grades:

1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Morton
Gra.	Ward	Ward	Ward	Branch
6th	32.14	11.75	9.42	21.4
5th	12.95	10.86	13.12	19.9
4th	31.24	9.31	1.5	18.1
3rd	23.56	26.35	11	10

Following is the list of pupils to whom bronze buttons were awarded for selling the most seals in their rooms or in the section of the seventh or eighth grade. All selling more than five hundred seals were given a golden shield.

First ward: Dorothy Combs, 165; Frances Kaule, 550; Maie Richards, 80; Edgar Heintich, 530; Anna Malory, 369; Robert Runkel, 109.

Second Ward: John Putnam, 120; Chester Ashley, 90; Martha Schaub, 50; Charles Bates, 30; Oral Pires, 80; Frances Plouer, 355; Pauline Trotter, 60.

Third Ward: Viles Kennedy, 80; Merle Martin, 70; Geo. Henderson, 76; Mary Dodsworth, 70.

Fourth Ward: Louise Anderson, 150; Caroline Doane, 150; Laura Templin, 65; George Adams, 500; Henry John English, 200; Harry Capps, 68.

Morton school: William Spencer, 40; Frank Floberg, 40; William Sheely, 70; Maurice Crabbe, 30.

Open Air school: Clara Saults and Russell Smith, buttons being awarded to both the boy and the girl who sold the most seals, as this school was ungraded.

David Prince, (By sections):
Eighth grade: Ruth Jordan, 250; Florence Leonard Masters, 250; Dorothy German, 219; Hazel Jacoby, 80; Mary Strawn, 100.

Seventh grade: Lee Adkisson 320; Grace Campbell, 190; Mabel Rogers, 260; Irene Goodwin, 52; Andrew Russell, 3,150.

Just received at Brown's Music Store a shipment of violin cases and music bags. They have been greatly delayed and are offered at specially low prices.

WAVERLY

Mrs. Sadie Baker of Sharon, Kas., came Friday for a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Weller.

Mrs. Richard Hughes of Springfield is visiting relatives in this city. The remains of Mrs. Lucille Lewis, who died in Chicago last Friday were brought to this city Monday morning and funeral services held in the Primitive Baptist church at one o'clock Monday afternoon, conducted by Rev. W. L. Campbell. Mrs. Lewis was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. Morris of near Waverly and formerly resided here.

The seven year old son of Mr. and Mrs. T. Lyons was run over by an auto truck Saturday afternoon and painfully hurt, his leg being broken in three places.

The Latin club entertained a few invited guests at a party at the High School Saturday night. Elaborate refreshments were served and all enjoyed a pleasant evening.

Waterman Fountain Pens, best stock in city. North Side Drug Store.

LICENSED TO MARRY
Kenneth Wright, Wrights; Mary E. Burton, Wrights.
Perry G. Thaxton, Greenfield; Zella Pembroke, Greenfield.
Andrew J. Wright, Wrights; Zella Marie Balders, Wrights.
Curtis Buchanan, Pisgah; Dorothy Dennis, Pisgah.
Robert Donald Jackson, Mercedosia; Minnie E. Wright, Mercedosia.

Hillerby's Dry Goods Store open evenings until Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Rodman of 622 West College street have gone to Bloomington to spend the holidays with relatives.

Visit Schram's jewelry store.

TRIPLE WEDDING AT THE COURT HOUSE

Three Couples from Greene County Married By Rev. J. W. Priest Wednesday.

Yesterday afternoon the office of County Superintendent of Schools H. H. Vasconcellos was the scene of a triple wedding of Greene county young people, the ceremonies being performed by Rev. J. W. Priest of the Courier force. The couples were: Kenneth S. Wright and Miss Mary Burton, both of Wrights.

Andrew J. Wright and Miss Zella Marie Balders, both of Wrights.

Perry G. Thaxton of Greenfield, and Miss Zella Pembroke of Wrights.

The first two named grooms are brothers. The contracting parties belong to some of the best families of Greene county and are well to do farmers and will at once follow that occupation. There were some peculiar facts connected with the ceremonies. The ages of the six young people ranged from 19 to 23. The licenses were made out by a left handed deputy county clerk, Edgar Cooper, and the certificates by a left handed county official, H. H. Vasconcellos. While two of the brides are named Zella they are not related.

All boxed Stationery, 20 per cent off. The North Side Drug Store. Clarence L. DePew.

CEREMONY CHANUKKAH AND FEAST OF JOY

New York, Dec. 20—Chanukkah, or "The Feast of Lights," which is to the Jews what the Christmas festival is to those of the Christian faith, is now being celebrated by the orthodox Jews throughout the world. It is the great season for merrymaking with the descendants of Moses, but is principally a holiday season for the children. Special children's services were held in all of the New York temples today, those at the reformed churches being most elaborate.

The history of Chanukkah records one of the proudest triumphs of the Jewish spirit. In the year 165 B. C., the Greek religion and culture had made heavy inroads in Asia, and the conquering army of Alexander and his successors had spread its practices all along the victorious march. As Judea came under Syrian-Greek dominance, an acute stage was reached which conspired the faithful Jews to rush to arms to defend their faith and their country. The splendid victories of Jewish heroism gave freedom again to Israel. The importance of this victory for the Jew as well as for the world's culture and religion cannot be overestimated.

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TO HOLD CONFERENCE AT YALE

New Haven, Conn., Dec. 20—Organizations in more than thirty colleges will be represented at the tenth annual Cosmopolitan Clubs convention to be held here next week. This meeting of the "Corda Fratres Association of Cosmopolitan Clubs" will be held under the auspices of the Yale Cosmopolitan club and will begin its sessions one week from today. The purpose of the convention is an enlargement upon the aim of the separate clubs in colleges and universities in the United States, namely, the promotion of a better understanding between men of different nationalities. Thirty-three colleges and universities, including Harvard, Yale and Princeton have Cosmopolitan Clubs, which have done much to accomplish this purpose.

Christmas trees in a variety of sizes and prices. Small table trees. Holly wreaths and holly. Taylor's Grocery.

MEMORIAL TO CURTIS GUILD
Boston, Mass., Dec. 20—An ornamental stairway erected at the Beacon street end of Boston Common as a memorial to the late Curtis Guild, one-time governor of Massachusetts and afterward the United States ambassador to Russia, was unveiled today with a program of interesting ceremonies. Herbert Parker, former attorney general of Massachusetts, delivered the oration of the day and among the other distinguished participants in the exercises were Governor McCall, Mayor Curley and M. George Bakhmeteff, the Russian ambassador at Washington.

Stationery. H. J. & L. M. Smith.

PHYSICIAN SEEKS PARDON

Augusta, Me. Dec. 20—The Governor and council today gave a hearing on a petition for the pardon of Dr. Lionel E. Dudley, who is serving a fifteen year sentence in State prison. Dr. Dudley was convicted two years ago of causing the death of Mildred Sullivan, of the town of Houlton.

Visit Schram's jewelry store.

U. S. Deputy Samuel Metcalf of Springfield was in the city yesterday and subpoenaed Sheriff Graft and McKinley Harrison to appear as witnesses before the next session of the federal grand jury to be held in Springfield beginning January 9.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE

Estate of Sarah Ellen Wylder, Deceased.

The undersigned, having been appointed administrator of the estate of Sarah Ellen Wylder late of the County of Morgan and State of Illinois, hereby gives notice that he will appear before the County Court of Morgan County, at the Court House in Jacksonville, at the February term, on the first Monday in February next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted.

All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned. Dated this 19th day of December A. D., 1916.

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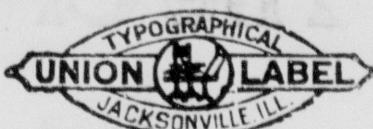
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MAJOR GENERAL SCOTT IS CROSS EXAMINED

CHIEF OF ARMY STAFF QUESTIONED BY HOUSE MEMBERS

Senate Sub-Committee in Charge of Chamberlain Universal Military Training Bill Will Also Recall General Scott

Washington, Dec. 20.—Sharp controversy in congress over the future of the National Guard in the federal military system was foreshadowed today at hearings before committees of both the house and senate.

Major General Hugh T. Scott, chief of staff of the army, encountered vigorous cross-examination by several members of the house military committee when he touched upon results of the mobilization of the state troops for border duty as shown in the general staff report based on information furnished by regular army inspectors. Conclusions drawn from the figures to support the contention that the guard system is inefficient and unreliable were un-

questioned and it was indicated that the head of the army would face searching questioning tomorrow when he continues his statement. The senate sub-committee in charge of the Chamberlain universal training bill decided to recall General Scott, who already had presented the report on mobilization in full to that committee and Major General Leonard Wood, commanding the eastern department who described the mobilization as a "tragedy" in his direct hearing before the committee. Both officers have been asked to appear for cross-examination by Senator Blair Lee, a champion of the national guard.

In preparation for the cross-examination it is understood staff officers familiar with mobilization will be present and prepared to submit the original reports from the inspectors, including names of the organizations examined.

Outline Views

Before the Chamberlain committee today Howard H. Gross of Chicago, president and Edward Harding, of New York City, representing the universal military training league outlined their views. They will be followed tomorrow by members of the chamber of commerce of the United States and later by certain officers and enlisted men of the national guard, all of whom are expected to support the recommendations of the general staff for a compulsory service system.

Senator Underwood of Alabama injected the universal service discussion into a debate in the senate during the day, asserting he did not favor compulsory military service in time of peace.

When General Scott before the house committee quoted from the mobilization report to show that out of an enrolled strength of 35,000 men in certain units of the guard called for border duty only 47,000 were available for service, Representative Anthony of Kansas asked whether it was fair to judge the national guard system on a mobilization on what was in reality the old organization. Representatives Hull and Green joined in this view.

"Is it not a fact," insisted Representative Green, "that neither the national guard nor the regular army as contemplated by the national defense act of 1916 was in existence when the border call came?"

General Scott admitted this was true, as the act did not go into effect until after the call was made. He reiterated his opinion however, that completion of the new organization would produce little better results.

Representative Tilson of Connecticut, who commanded a guard regiment on the border asked if the order than men with dependent families be discharged was "not enough to disorganize any military organization."

"That order was issued by the secretary of war and I cannot discuss its merits," General Scott said. He explained later that the secretary issued no orders of such a character.

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CHRISTMAS PROGRAM AT OPEN AIR SCHOOL

All Pupils Nicely Remembered Wednesday—Gifts Made Possible By Generosity of Merchants and Other Friends.

The three dozen children of the open air school have again been made happy by the advent of a bearded Santa Claus with the traditional long whiskers, sleigh bells and various paraphernalia which all are so dear to the childish heart. A beautiful evergreen tree with nice things was sent by the Blue Bird club of Centerville, near Carrollton and on it were placed by Andrew Russell and a friend candy and oranges for all the children, a doll for each girl and a first class, two bladed knife for each boy, hair ribbons for the older girls and other gifts. Thanks are also due for kindnesses. Messrs. George T. Douglas, Johnson, Hackett & Guthrie, Phelps & Osborne, Brady Brothers, F. J. Waddell, Hopper & Son, Mathis, Kamm & Shibe, Woolworth Co., and others.

Mrs. Riggs, the cook, solicited from 19 friends material for a beautiful dinner, including eleven chickens. Mr. Stearns' class in Grace church Sunday school gave \$27.00 which was invested in warm clothing; Schrag & Cully gave pepper sets to each girl; the Social Service Department of the Woman's club gave a quantity of stockings and needled and handkerchiefs to all; Mrs. Murdock made up ten nice dresses; the Emporium gave two muffs. For a while it looked as if shoes would be shy but finally they were supplied for all. It was indeed a happy sight as the merry children were gathered in one of the chambers of the structure occupied by the Anti-Tuberculosis organization to receive the nice things provided for them. The girls could hardly wait to get home to dress their dolls and the boys were eager to try their line, new knives and all was merry.

Miss Laura Hammond deserves the greatest credit for her faithful and capable efforts in managing the school and she is ably assisted by Miss Ruth Peak and the close of 1916 sees things in good shape.

A complete line of electric and gas portables, electric irons, percolators and other goods always useful and especially suitable for Christmas remembrances.

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Carrollton, Ill., Dec. 18, '16

Dear Miss Coale:

We the Centerville Blue Bird Club are sending by freight today by the C. & A. railroad a Christmas tree and a box of toys, candy and trimmings for the tree for the children of the open air school. We earned the money ourselves and have had so much fun planning the tree and selecting the gifts. We do hope they will be appreciated and that there will be enough to go around. There are fourteen of us in our club, the youngest five and the oldest twelve, so we thought we could guess the wishes of all the ages of your school children. Wishing you all a merry Christmas I am very respectfully,

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is the only item in the food line that has not advanced in price. You can get just as nice a box of Candy today for 80c or \$1.00 as ever. Look the line over today at Merrigan's.

SERVICE AT TRINITY CHURCH TODAY

In recognition of the day, St. Thomas' Day, there will be a celebration of the Holy Communion at 10 a. m. in Trinity Episcopal church.

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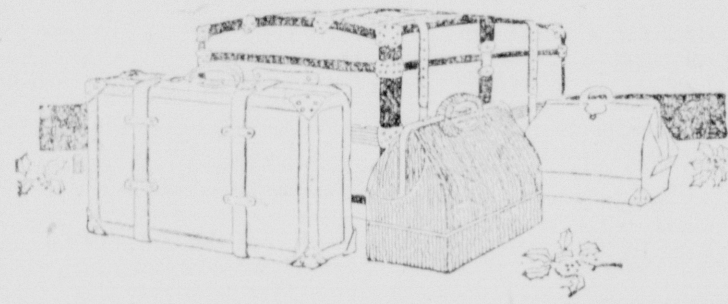
THE last shopping days before Xmas are busy ones at this store--it means a heavy pressure on stocks. Our big reserve stock is prepared for this onslaught--that's the pleasure in trading here--you will find just what you want without the inconvenience of looking around.

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Leather Bags for Men or Women, \$5 to \$20
Men's Soft and Stiff Hats, \$2 to \$5
Silk Velour Hats, \$3.50
Handkerchiefs—initial and plain—10c to 50c each



Men's and Young Men's Suits—every style and fabric, \$10 to \$25
Hosiery—cotton, silk, lisle 25c to \$1.00
Shirts—white and fancy—50c to \$2.00
Full Dress Shirts, \$1.00 to \$2.00
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Caps—Cloth and Plush 50c to \$1.50
Fur Caps, \$2.50 to \$5
House Coats, \$5.00 to \$7.50
Bath Robes, \$5 to \$10
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Boys' Sweater Coats, \$1.00 to \$5.00
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JUDGE BURTON TO HOLD COURT IN JANUARY

Will Come To Jacksonville for Four Days January 9th—May Be Jury At February Term.

Circuit Clerk C. W. Boston received a letter yesterday from Judge Frank W. Burton in which the judge stated that he will be here to hold four days sessions of the circuit court beginning January 9. He cannot be here longer at this time as he has appointments which require his presence in the Macoupin county circuit court, January 13.

Judge Burton suggested that Mr. Boston consult with attorneys and find out whether or not they desired to hear cases without juries. The judge indicated further that he will consult with attorneys while here with reference to the advisability of summoning a jury for the February term. Mr. Boston said yesterday that the cases to come before Judge Burton in January would be without a jury and he said further that members of the bar will be consulted and the docket arranged.

OUR STORE WILL BE OPEN THURSDAY, FRIDAY AND SATURDAY EVENINGS UNTIL 9 O'CLOCK.
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MENARD COUNTY

MAN A SUICIDE
Joseph Owens, residing on a farm a mile north of Petersburg, took his life Tuesday. The body was found by his wife about 2:30 in the afternoon, hanging from the ceiling of the smoke house near the dwelling. Decayed had for many years lived on the Morris farm in the Petersburg neighborhood, and the only known reason for his act was ill health. He is survived by his wife; five daughters, Mrs. Garner, of Granite City; Mrs. Harry Felton of Iowa; Mrs. Della Vanatten, Tico; Mrs. Henry Robinson, Petersburg, and Daisy Owens at home; and two sons, Clement Owens, residing at home, and Jerry Owens, serving in the U. S. Navy.

A Gent's Solitaire Diamond Ring, a peach, at Mallory Bros.

HOLBROOK MUST ANSWER CHARGE

Deputy Sheriff Howard Wannamaker went to Peoria yesterday to bring back George Holbrook, who is wanted here on the charge of wife abandonment.

Try our fresh bulk oysters. We give solid measure. Webber's Grocery.

Miss Esther Brockhouse of the west part of the county was attending to holiday shopping in the city yesterday.

Cigar Makers Ball this evening at Degen's Hall. Admission 75 cents. Ladies free.

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